



The Ohio Hepatitis Education Program (OH-HEP) is geared toward primary care providers and their support staff across Ohio. OH-HEP's goal is to improve the health of individuals in underserved communities by building a primary care workforce trained by experts to screen, diagnose, treat, cure and follow persons with chronic hepatitis C.

OH-HEP primary care providers will receive training on hepatitis C epidemiology, diagnosis, management, curative treatment, follow-up and prevention from disease experts. Thus, primary care providers throughout the state will be equipped with the skills needed to treat patients with hepatitis C in their local communities. This will increase the number of individuals who are identified and cured and help to reduce the number of Ohioans who can transmit hepatitis C to another person. Increasing the treatment rate of HCV and preventing new infections aligns with state, national, and global goals working towards HCV eradication.

OH-HEP Course Goals

- Educate and empower a primary care workforce trained by hepatitis C experts to screen, diagnose, stage, treat, and follow up patients with chronic hepatitis C with the goal of curing these individuals throughout Ohio.
- Recruit primary care providers practicing in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), hospitals, rural community clinics and private practices in communities throughout the state.
- Remove barriers to care for individuals diagnosed with hepatitis C infection.

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