

# ≡ LIVER & VIRAL HEPATITIS ≡

## FREE lunchtime webinars on liver disease & viral hepatitis

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Hepatitis B Refresher

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Viral hepatitis care for people with renal impairment

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## February

### **WEEK 1: Tuesday 3rd February : 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Hepatitis B Refresher**

To kick off we will go over the basics of the transmission, testing, management & prevention of Hepatitis B, setting the groundwork for the rest of the series. This session is presented by Mieken Grant, Victorian Viral Hepatitis Educator based at St Vincents Hospital Melbourne.

### **WEEK 2: Tuesday 10th February : 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Hepatitis C Refresher**

In this week we will go over the basics of the transmission, testing, prevention and the CURE of Hepatitis C. This session is presented by Mieken Grant, Victorian Viral Hepatitis Educator based at St Vincents Hospital Melbourne.

### **WEEK 3: Tuesday 17th February : 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Viral hepatitis care for people with renal impairment**

People living with viral hepatitis and renal impairment have different care needs. In this session, A/Prof Jacinta Holmes will walk us through these differences and how to optimise care for these clients. A/Prof Jacinta Holmes is a full-time senior staff specialist in the Gastroenterology Department at St Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne and Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Melbourne.

### **Week 4: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February: 12:30 - 13:15** **Alcohol related liver disease**

In this session Dr Tim Phan, Addiction Medicine Registrar & Gastroenterology fellow at St Vincents Hospital Melbourne, will explore the prevalence of alcohol related liver disease, how alcohol affects the liver, and current approaches to assessment and management.

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## March

### **WEEK 5: Tuesday 3rd March: 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Hepatitis C - point of care testing in practice**

Hepatitis C point of care testing (POCT) is crucial to support hepatitis C elimination efforts. In this session, Chloe Layton, Hepatology Clinical Nurse Consultant for the Statewide Prison Hepatitis Assessment and Treatment Program will discuss how POCT improves hepatitis C diagnosis & linkage to care and will also look at the practical considerations for implementing POCT in different settings.

### **WEEK 6: Tuesday 10th March: 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **When do I refer my patient to a Liver Specialist?**

Primary care serves an important role in managing viral hepatitis and other liver disease in the community. But when or how do community care providers know when to refer to a liver specialist? In this session, Phoebe Van Lambaart - Hepatology Nurse Practitioner for Latrobe regional Health - will cover common clinical scenarios, red flags for advanced liver disease, interpretation of common assessment tools or tests, and how timely referral can improve patient outcomes.

### **WEEK 7: Tuesday 17th March: 12:30pm - 1:15pm** **Viral Hepatitis in immunocompromised people**

In this session, Dr David Iser - Hepatologist and Gastroenterologist at St Vincents Hospital Melbourne - will explore how hepatitis B and C behave in the context of immunosuppression, key risks such as reactivation, and practical considerations for clinical management

### **Week 8: Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March: 12:30 - 13:15** **Hepatitis C testing in mental health settings**

Join us for this webinar exploring the importance of improving viral hepatitis testing among people accessing mental health services & hear about practical strategies for integrating testing into routine care. Dr Partha Das is a Senior Psychiatrist & Deputy Director of the Adult Mental Health Division at Austin Health & Kathryn Thomas is a Clinical Nurse Consultant at the Austin Hospital Liver Clinic.

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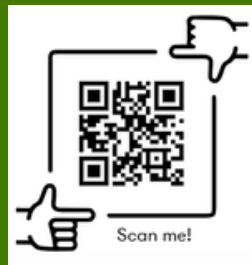
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**WEEK 9: Tuesday 31st March: 12:30pm - 1:15pm**  
**Hepatitis B - point of care testing in practice**

Hepatitis B point of care testing is not well established in Australia. But could it be the answer to increase testing in migrant communities? Kyle Leadbeatter will walk us through a practical demonstration of this. Kyle is the Program Manager of Priority Populations and Settings for Hepatitis NSW

**WEEK 10: Tuesday 31st March: 12:30pm - 1:15pm**  
**Meaningful involvement of peers in hepatitis C elimination**

This session will explore the vital role of people with lived experience in improving engagement, trust, and access to hepatitis C testing and treatment. The session also aims to examine how this workforce needs to be supported and developed to see us through to elimination. Join Harm Reduction Victoria for the last webinar session for 2026.



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Each session will allow for 10 minutes of Q&A following the presentation so come along to get your questions answered!

Sessions will be recorded on Zoom.