Hepatitis Awareness Month



About 30% of all Hepatitis C (HCV) cases will show symptoms that include jaundice, elevated liver enzymes, fatigue, abdominal pain, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, low grade fever, and headaches

Who should be screened?



New recommendations from CDC 2020 Hepatitis C Guidelines



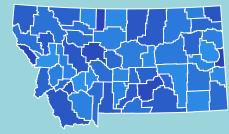
Everyone over 18 at least once in their life



Pregnant women during every pregnancy



Vaccines are available for Hepatitis A and Hepatitis B, but not Hepatitis C



Hepatitis C is the 3rd most reported communicable disease in Montana

Talk to your provider. Hepatitis C can be treated and cured

Priority Populations for testing

- People with HIV
- People who have injected drugs/shared needles at any time
- People with select medical conditions i.e. hemodialysis
- People with prior transfusion or organ transplant recipients
- Healthcare professionals with needlestick injuries or mucosal exposure to HCV+ blood
- Children born to mothers with HCV infections



36% of Chronic HCV Cases

were age 35 and under in Montana in 2021

27% of Chronic HCV Cases

were age 51 and up in Montana in 2021

Learn more about the 2020 Hepatitis C screening for adults from the CDC at https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/rr/rr6902a1.htm