## Hepatitis C

## Risks Testing Impact

More than 1,000 cases of Chronic Hepatitis C are reported in Montana every year

Most cases are the result of sharing injection drug equipment

Hepatitis C is a significant cause of liver cancer and

cirrhosis

Nationally, people born from 1945-1965 are five times more likely to have Hepatitis

3 in 4 people infected with Hepatitis C were born during these years

Treatment can eliminate the Hepatitis C virus

Testing for Hepatitis C is recommended for people **born between 1945 and 1965** and anyone who has ever injected drugs, **even once**. People who have received **blood products** or have had certain medical procedures can **talk to a health care provider** to find out if they are at risk.

## Chronic Hepatitis Cases, Rate/100,000 Montana, 2016 Daniels Sheridan Glacier Lincoln Toole Valley Liberty Blaine Roosevell Flathead Pondera Phillips Richland Teton Chouteau Sanders McCone Cascade Fergus Dawson Mineral Garfield Petroleum Missoula Lewis and Clark Judith Basin Wibaux Prairie Powell Meagher Wheatlamblden Valley selshell Granite Fallon Broadwater Custer Treasure Rosebud Ravalli Jefferson Deer Lodge Sweet Grass Stillwater Yellowstone Silver Bow Gallatin Carter Powder River Big Horn Madison Park Carbon Beaverhead **MONTANA** Cases per 100,000 800 to 600 599 to 150 149 to 50 49 to 1 Source: DPHHS, Census population estimates Rates are calculated using the most recent population estimates available (2015)