

Training Rationale:

In 2000, there were approximately 25,000 cases of acute viral hepatitis reported nationwide, including 14,000 cases of hepatitis A (HAV) and 8,000 cases of hepatitis B (HBV). In addition, 1.25 million persons are chronically infected with HBV and 2.7 million are chronically infected with hepatitis C. [source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)].

About one quarter of HIV-infected persons in the United States are infected with hepatitis C (HCV). Studies indicate that 80 – 90% of active or former substance users living with HIV are co-infected with HCV, and injection drug use continues to play a significant role in the transmission of blood-borne diseases, including HCV and HIV. Co-infection presents unique and challenging needs pertaining to care and treatment for providers and clients, which this training addresses.

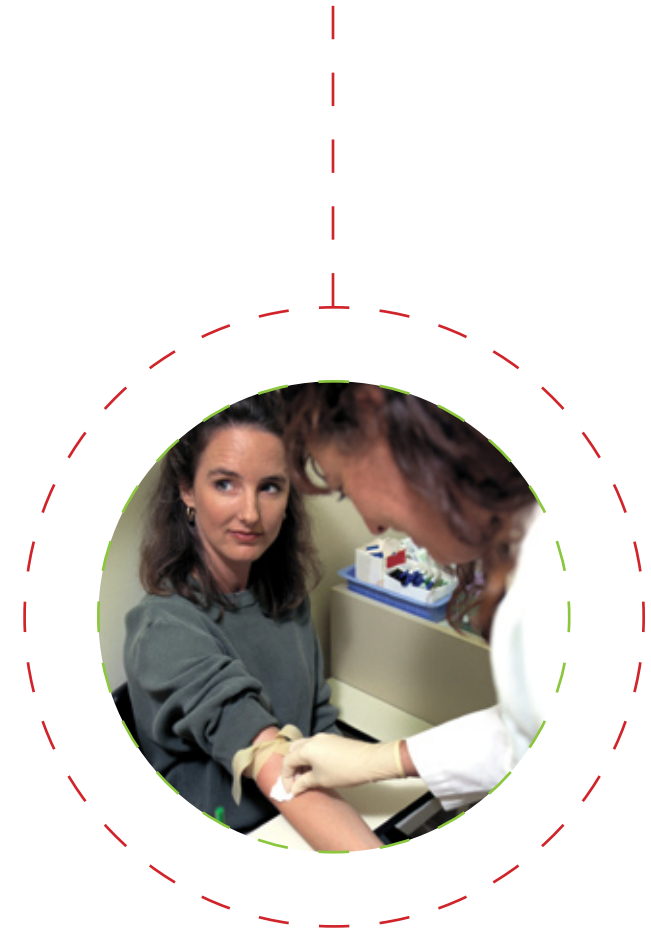


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Training: Integration of Viral Hepatitis Prevention Into Your Work



Training Benefits:

- ▶ **Designed to support** front-line health and human service professionals in providing accurate viral hepatitis information to clients and colleagues and support appropriate referral processes.
- ▶ **Training design is flexible** and modular in format – training modules can be modified for use in different settings and to different time allotments. Varied learning techniques are used.
- ▶ **Tailored content** for special settings – specific modules address needs of the different target audiences such as STD clinics, HIV prevention and care settings, drug treatment programs, community health centers, and correctional settings.
- ▶ **Training materials are comprehensive** – covers all aspects of hepatitis A, B and C, including the unique psychosocial needs of persons at highest risk for, or living with, viral hepatitis.

- ▶ **Focus on integration** – training materials address specific issues and obstacles to fully integrating counseling targeted to viral hepatitis into the previously mentioned settings that serve persons at high risk for viral hepatitis.
- ▶ **Skills-based** – ample opportunity is allotted for providers to develop and refine their skills in providing client-centered counseling regarding viral hepatitis.

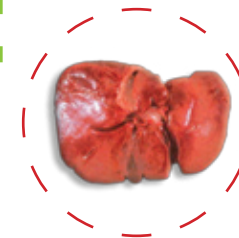


Hepatitis Effects:

- ▶ Advanced Hepatitis B



- ▶ Healthy Liver



- ▶ Cross section of liver ravaged by viral hepatitis



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