Primary care redesign to prevent liver cancer and cirrhosis

STOP HCC - HCV

Screen, Treat, or Prevent Hepatocellular Carcinoma (HCC) and
Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) infection

Our Program

STOP HCC - HCV is a primary care-based program to implement HCV screening of all Texans aged 18 to 79 at least once in their lifetimes. We offer a team-based model to evaluate and manage patients with chronic HCV in a primary care setting.

Operations

Education

Webinars for clinicians and staff on HCV screening and management. Patient education through posters promoting screening and a mobile app about chronic HCV. Community outreach by peers with HCV infection and information on StopHeaptitisC.com
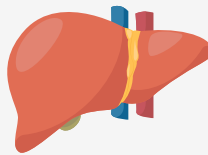
Infrastructure

Electronic medical record (EMR) flags and data to support screening, clinic protocols, care navigation, resources for free testing, and treatment in primary care using specialist teleconsultation and pharmaceutical assistance programs.

Partnerships

Collaboration with community organizations, state, and healthcare leaders in Texas to share resources, best practices, and expertise.

HCV is the main cause of HCC - primary liver cancer

Did you know?

- Hep C is the most common blood-borne infection, affection 3-5 million people in the US
- Studies show primary care providers are as effective as specialists in managing most cases of HCV
- The risk of chronic HCV is greatest in men, minorities, and the uninsured
- The rising opioid epidemic has seen a recent increase in Hep C cases in the younger generations
- Hispanic patients are more likely to have advanced liver disease at diagnosis

The national incidence and mortality from liver cancer is rapidly rising

Texas leads the nation in mortality from liver cancer

11 Healthcare systems across South Texas and Dallas regions have used the STOP HCC-HCV model

>95% Of uninsured patients are treated in primary care have achieved virologic cure

Our program acts a resource for the uninsured, connecting them to the care they need at no cost to themselves

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