



NEED KNOW Lake County

Need2Know Lake County
Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI)
and HIV Prevention
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Monday - Friday
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Closed

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What is Hepatitis C?

Hepatitis C is a disease caused by the Hepatitis C virus (HCV). It can cause serious damage your liver. This can include cirrhosis, liver failure, or liver cancer.

Many people do not know they have HCV. They may not feel sick or have symptoms. This is why it is important to get tested.

Need2Know Lake County offers confidential HCV services. We welcome all people. We do not discriminate based on a person's race, color, national origin, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, past or current drug use, or ability to pay.

Hepatitis C Services

Testing, Treatment, and Case Management





Testing

Hepatitis C (HCV) can be spread to others. Pregnant mothers can even pass it to their baby. We offer HCV testing and education for anyone age 12 and older.

Get tested right away if you:

- Were born between 1945-1965 (a “Baby Boomer”).
- Have had sex with someone with HCV.
- Have ever injected or snorted drugs.
- Have ever shared any tools to prepare, inject or snort drugs.
- Received a blood transfusion or transplant before 1992.
- Are on dialysis.
- Were born to a mother with HCV.
- Have been in jail or prison.
- Have gotten a tattoo or piercing from a place without a license.



HCV Can Be Treated!

Most people infected with HCV need medication to be cured. Start treatment as soon as possible to lower your risk of liver damage.

HCV is treated with medications to clear the virus from your body. Your provider may recommend one medication or a combination of medications to be taken daily for 8-16 weeks.

**Get tested. Start
treatment right away.
Call us today!
(847) 377-8540**

Case Management

Case management is a free program that helps people with their HCV treatment.

Case managers can help you with:

- Keeping your doctor appointments.
- Any problems you have with treatment.
- Finding options for paying for your medicine.

Our case managers speak both English and Spanish. They respect your privacy and decisions.