HEPATITIS C IN CANADA

An estimated 1 out of 100 Canadians has been infected with hepatitis C in their lifetime.1

35% were born outside of Canada, where most Hep C infections happen in healthcare settings.2

43% have injected drugs.1 Lending or borrowing used equipment is a major risk factor for Hep C transmission.

Hepatitis C is a virus that attacks the liver.

Your liver performs over 500 functions. You can’t live without it.

A person can live 20 to 30 years with Hep C without any symptoms.3

An estimated 44% of people with chronic Hep C in Canada don’t know they have it.1 The only way to know is to get tested.

There is no vaccine to protect against Hep C.

Liver experts recommend that all Canadians born between 1945 and 1975 get tested for Hep C.3

Treatment cures most people of hepatitis C. Treatments can be completed within eight to 12 weeks.