WORLD HEPATITIS DAY

World Hepatitis Day is marked globally on 28 July. The World Hepatitis Alliance has committed to eliminating viral hepatitis by 2030.

Imagine a future without hepatitis C. Can we achieve this in the Australian bleeding disorders community?

HAVE YOU BEEN CURED?

The new hepatitis C treatments can cure nearly everyone and have few, if any, side-effects.

Haemophilia Treatment Centres are currently collecting data to check which of their patients have been cured of their hep C and their current liver health. You can help this work by making sure your HTC has your results for:

- your hepatitis C treatment
- your latest HCV PCR test
- your most recent liver health test/ fibroscan.

Ask your hepatitis specialist or GP if you need follow-up for your liver health. For example, if you have cirrhosis and have successful treatment, you will still need to have liver health checks regularly.

Many people with bleeding disorders have been treated and cured but some might not even know they have hep C.

YOU COULD BE AT RISK

- If you ever had a blood product for treatment before 1993 – even as a baby
- If you have shared equipment that allows blood from an infected person to enter your bloodstream, eg injecting equipment, non-sterile tattooing, medical care overseas
- Still wondering? Take the Hepatitis Risk Quiz to see if you are at risk - www.worldhepatitisday.org.au/quiz
- Is this you or someone you know? Have you ever been tested for hep C? If not, now is the time to be tested - and have treatment to be cured, if you do have hep C!

As a Partner in the national World Hepatitis Day Campaign, HFA works with Hepatitis Australia and State and Territory Foundations on the annual national awareness campaign and is committed to making a difference on hepatitis C in Australia.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit

- www.world.hepatitisday.org.au
- The HFA World Hepatitis Day page - https://tinyurl.com/HFAWHD19

Or talk to your hepatitis specialist, your HTC or your local doctor