

## MCG message

Title: We Treat Hep C: Educational Opportunities for Providers

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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services recently launched the [We Treat Hep C Initiative](#)\* to eliminate hepatitis C and improve access to hepatitis C treatment among Michigan Medicaid and Healthy Michigan Plan beneficiaries.

It's estimated that at least 200,000 people in Michigan are living with hepatitis C and many don't even know they have it. Hepatitis C often spreads silently because symptoms don't appear for many years. When symptoms do appear, they are often a sign of advanced liver disease.

As part of the Michigan's state plan on eliminating hepatitis C, MDHHS is offering the following educational opportunities for providers listed below. Blue Cross Complete supports the [We Treat Hep C Initiative](#) and strongly encourages providers to attend these sessions.

**October 12, 2021 - [Path to Hepatitis C Elimination: Always Forward](#)\*** (12:15 p.m. EST)

This webinar is hosted by AbbVie and Clinical Care Solutions and focuses on gaps in hepatitis C care and how they can be addressed. Learning objectives include the clinical impact of hepatitis C and elimination progress.

**November 17, 2021 - [Managing Hepatitis C in the Context of Substance Use in the Rural Setting](#)\*** (12:15 p.m. EST)

This webinar hosted by AbbVie is a presentation on reducing obstacles to hepatitis C treatment in the rural setting and amongst people with a history of substance use.

**December 16, 2021 - [Pregnancy & Newborns Impact of Infectious Disease](#)\***

This session is part of the infectious disease Project ECHO® trainings conducted by the Michigan Center for Rural Health and Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine. Using its [Project ECHO](#)\* model to assist providers and members of the health care team throughout northern Michigan and the upper peninsula to manage their infectious disease patients more effectively and confidently, this session offers free continuing medical education credits for health care professionals.



Michigan Opioid Collaborative, 3-part hepatitis c webinar series:

- [Part 1: Hepatitis C Screening and Epidemiology\\*](#)  
Monday, May 10, 2021 - Wednesday, May 10, 2023
- [Part 2: Hepatitis C Treatment\\*](#)  
Friday, June 11, 2021 - Friday, May 31, 2024
- [Part 3: Hepatitis C Post-Treatment and Key Topics for Consideration\\*](#)  
Friday, June 11, 2021 - Friday, May 31, 2024

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