3 Important Hepatitis Community Events Where You Can Make a Difference

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Are you frustrated by the seemingly slow response to the viral hepatitis crisis? Do you want to make a difference? Here are three upcoming events that need community participation.

An Open Community Call to Discuss the Barriers to Hepatitis C Care for People Who Use Drugs

Monday, March 6, 2017 at 4 PM EST

Join the Atlanta Harm Reduction Coalition, the National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable (NVHR), the People's Harm Reduction Alliance, and the Urban Survivor's Union for a conference call to talk about how to address barriers to hepatitis C care faced by individuals who use drugs. The goal of this call is to gather different perspectives and identify ways that service providers and advocates can work together nationally to improve access to hepatitis C care for people who use drugs.

http://nvhr.org/content/open-community-call-discuss-barriers-hepatitis-c-care-people-who-use-drugs

1-800-216-6327, access code 716341

The National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD) hosts the Hepatitis Testing Partnership and Learning Collaborative

Tuesday, March 7 at 1:00 PM EST

NASTAD will host a webinar to kick off the Hepatitis Testing Partnership. The Hepatitis Testing Partnership is a coalition of key stakeholders including governmental public health, community based organizations, health systems, primary care providers, community health centers, substance use and mental health service providers, advocates, and patients who will come together for quarterly conference calls to share strategies, best practices, lessons learned, and materials developed to accelerate implementation of the CDC testing recommendations in jurisdictions across the country.

This webinar will provide an overview of NASTAD's cooperative agreement, CDC HCV testing

recommendations and the CDC Know More Hepatitis Campaign, and Hepatitis Testing Day activities.

Participants must pre-register to participate in this webinar using the following link: https://nastad.zoom.us/webinar/register/90d9c3e3a8b8922134538d7d4481ef37. Once you have successfully pre-registered, you will receive call-in and log-in information.

National Viral Hepatitis Action Plan 2017 – 2020 Webinar

Wednesday March 8, 2017 at 3-4:30 PM EST

Hosted by Health and Human Services Office of HIV/AIDS and Infectious Disease Policy will host a webinar that will include:

- Key viral hepatitis facts and gaps in the United States
- Overview of the National Viral Hepatitis Action Plan 2017 – 2020
- What's new/changed in the Action Plan
- Perspectives from the Office of Minority Health on the importance of the Action Plan
- Perspectives from national and state partners on the Action Plan

The National Viral Hepatitis Action Plan 2017-2020 (Action Plan) is posted and ready to share at www.hhs.gov/hepatitis. Everyone has a role to play in the battle against viral hepatitis in the United States.

Register now for the webinar on March 8th and learn more about the critical role(s) of various partners and how you can become a part of the national response to hepatitis B and hepatitis C.

To find out about other hepatitis community events and to share your events with the world, visit www.hepmag.com/events.

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