Hepatitis C: I Have a Dream

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"*Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane*."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

In addition to his work with civil rights, Martin Luther King, Jr actively fought for equality in health care. In honor of this national holiday, I contemplated King's words from a health care perspective, and offer my own.

I have a dream. I dream that everyone has access to affordable hepatitis C treatment. I dream that health care is available to everyone. I dream that we honor our veterans by offering them the simple, decent, right thing - health care. I dream that people with hepatitis C can stand tall and proud and in the light, out of the shadow of stigma. I dream that former and active drug users may live without shame, and may easily access help if they want it. I dream that those in prison have access to hepatitis C treatment.

I dream of a world with no more hepatitis C.

However, dreams are meaningless without action.. What are your dreams? What are you doing to change the world?

"*If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.*"

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

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