

CONSENT FORM FOR HCV ANTIBODY TESTING

What is HCV? HCV is a liver disease caused by the Hepatitis C virus (HCV) which is found in the blood of persons who have the disease.

How do people get HCV? People may become infected by contact with the blood of an infected person. For example, this could be passed through the use of sharing needles or "works" when using injecting drugs, through occupational exposure, sharing snorting utensils, or blood products.

What if the test is positive? We would then recommend:

- That you follow up by seeing a physician for care and monitoring
- That you stop all risk behaviors that could spread this to others
- That you stop the use of drugs and alcohol as these can cause adverse effects to an already compromised liver.

What if the test is negative? This means that at the time of testing no antibodies to the virus were found. There may need to be more testing as the time period between exposure to infection and showing antibodies in the blood could be up to six months.

YOU have a choice: you can choose not to take the test at any point during this visit by leaving. You need to let someone know within one hour after the finger stick that you have changed your mind about testing. If you do choose to take the test, your information and name will be confidential. You will receive a written result of the HCV test with your name written on it. The law requires that positive HCV tests be reported to the Ohio Department of Health.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE, OR IT HAS BEEN READ TO ME, AND I AGREE TO BE CONFIDENTIALLY TESTED FOR HCV. I GIVE CONSENT FOR THE IDENTIFYING INFORMATION AND TESTING RESULTS BE GIVEN THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. I HAVE ALSO SIGNED FOR HIPPA INFORMATION.

Signature: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____

County/Zip Code: _____

Date of birth: _____

Phone: _____

Sex: Male Female Transgender (females: pregnant yes or no)

Race: African American Caucasian Asian American Indian/Alaska Native
Hawaiian or Pacific Islander Other (specify)

Hep C Registration

Site #: 24663

Demographics (Circle one for each question or fill in the blank):

1. Do you speak English or Spanish? English Spanish
2. What is your gender? Male Female
3. (Females only) Are you currently pregnant? Yes No
4. What year were you born? 1 9 ____
5. What is your racial origin? (circle one below)
Caucasian African Hispanic Asian Native American Other
American
6. Please enter your five-digit zip code. ____
7. Have you previously tested for HCV? Yes No
8. If yes, what was your previous test result? Positive Negative Indeterminate Unknown
9. What do you expect your result to be? Positive Negative Don't Know

Exposure Questions:

1. Have you received blood or other blood products before July 1992? Yes No
2. Have you received blood or blood products during or after July 1992? Yes No
3. Have you been exposed to another person's blood through a contaminated
needle stick injury, blood splash to the eyes, mouth, or on to broken skin? Yes No
4. Have you ever injected street drugs by needle, even once many years ago? Yes No
5. Have you ever snorted street drugs, even once many years ago? Yes No
6. Are you living with someone who is known to be infected with hepatitis C virus? Yes No
7. Circle any of the following jobs you have ever had:
Police officer Firefighter Paramedic or EMT Medical or dental worker Corrections officer
8. Are you a U.S. military veteran who served during the Vietnam era? Yes No
9. Are you a U.S. military veteran who served before the Vietnam era? Yes No
10. Are you a U.S. military veteran who served after the Vietnam era? Yes No
11. Please enter the approximate number of different people you have had sex with in your lifetime ____.
12. Have you ever had sex with a person known to be positive for hepatitis C? Yes No
13. Have you ever been diagnosed with hepatitis or jaundice? Yes No
14. Have you ever been treated by a doctor for a sexually transmitted disease
such as chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, etc? Yes No
15. Have you ever had a non-professional tattoo (at home, at a party, in jail, etc.)? Yes No