HEPATITIS C COMMUNITY CLINIC

The Hepatitis C Community Clinic offers a non-judgmental, confidential and supportive service to address the needs and improve the health outcomes of those affected by hepatitis C.

Who is the service for?
People with hepatitis C or those concerned they may have been exposed to the virus.

Possible risk factors:
- Current or past injecting drug use
- Blood product transfusions prior to 1992
- Unsafe tattooing or body piercing
- Needle stick injury or blood exposure prone procedures

What does the service offer?
- A non-judgmental environment
- Testing and diagnosis
- Pre and post-test discussion
- Assessment and monitoring
- Advice and information on hepatitis C
- Health and lifestyle information and education
- Symptom self management
- Family/whanau inclusion
- Treatment information
- Linking with General Practice
- Referral to other services as appropriate

How do you access this service?
Access to the clinic will be open to anyone who has reason to believe they have been exposed to hepatitis C and who wish to undertake testing and/or management of their condition.

Cost?
There is no cost involved with this service.

Who are we?
The clinic is staffed by a Hepatitis C Nurse Specialist supported by a Social Worker, GP and peer professionals.

Where are we?
27 Cashel Street
Christchurch
(hospital end)

When are we open?
Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm (closed public holidays)

To make an appointment or for more information
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