



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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