

# One-Time Hepatitis C Testing

\*<https://www.hcvguidelines.org/evaluate/testing-and-linkage>

- All patients  $\geq 18$  years old, one-time, routine, opt-out
- Patients  $<18$  years old if at risk activities/exposures/conditions
- Routine prenatal care
- Annual testing for PWID, HIV-infected MSM, and MSM taking pre-exposure prophylaxis
- Periodic testing for persons at risk (see full list of at risk activities/exposures/conditions through link above)

Order *Hepatitis C Antibody with Reflex to PCR (LAB868)*

HCV Antibody Positive  
HCV PCR Negative

- The positive antibody is either from prior infection with resolution vs false positive antibody test
- Patients should be counseled they are not immune to hepatitis C virus

The patient does **NOT** have hepatitis C infection  
No further testing/treatment is indicated

HCV Antibody Negative

HCV Antibody Positive  
HCV PCR Positive

**Active** HCV Infection  
\*Consider for treatment if life expectancy is  $>12$  months

Order: (Search for HCV positive Orders for the order panel)

- HCV Genotype (LABR2207)
- Hepatitis B surface Antigen (LAB471)
- Hepatitis B core total Antibody (LABR239)
- HIV (LAB473)
- Fibroscan for HCV (FIB33)
  - FibroTest (LABR2123) if unable to get Fibroscan
- Referral to Infectious Disease (REF37) or Hepatology (REF157) for treatment

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