



We educate the general public about hepatitis C and provide resources and support for those affected by the virus.

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Hep C Connection is educating primary care physicians (PCP) about the new baby boomer testing recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the United States Preventive Services Task Force through a one-hour online course offered through COPIC, Colorado's medical malpractice insurance company. The course content will include the data that led to those recommendations, disease burden, risk factors, and the impact on a PCP practice if they do not test. Physicians open themselves up to "failure to diagnose" lawsuits if it is recommended that they should screen for hepatitis C, they do not screen and, at a later date, one of their patients is diagnosed with hepatocellular carcinoma. PCPs will receive Continuing Medical Education credit as well as COPIC Points, which then reduces their insurance premiums. This course will provide an additional opportunity to increase testing using cost reduction as an incentive to doctors. For additional information, contact Nancy Steinfurth at nsteinfurth@hepc-connection.org or 720-917-3965.