



PHRA is a peer-run organization that promotes the philosophy of harm reduction and safer drug use. Active users at all levels of PHRA facilitate the need-based needle distribution program, serving the Cascadia region since 2007.

Syringe Access Programs are necessary to prevent Hepatitis C reinfection and are ideal community-based sites for Hepatitis C testing and treatment, especially in rural communities.

“All doctors need to be more respectful and need to treat us more like humans.”

- **Participant from University District Seattle Needle Exchange**

Messages for doctors based on patient-identified barriers from University District Seattle PHRA participants:

Patients who use drugs can start treatment today – and should!

Patients may have been previously denied HCV treatment and thus continued regular testing and conversations about treatment options are important

Regular HCV testing should be routine among people who use drugs

If testing for HCV, links to HCV treatment must be available to patients

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