

Doctor Discussion Guide:

For people diagnosed with hepatitis C (hep C)



Questions to ask your doctor

Now that you're taking action towards addressing your hep C, consider taking this list with you to make the most of your next appointment.

- Do I need any other tests?
- What's my genotype and what does my genotype mean?
- How does my genotype affect my treatment options?
- What is a fibrosis score?
- Do I need a fibrosis test?
- What should I know about treatment options?
- Do I have any conditions or take any medications that might affect my treatment options?
- How long will treatment take?
- How will I know if I've been cured?
- What are some possible side effects of treatment?
- How much will treatment cost?

Come prepared for your next appointment

Your doctor may have questions for you about your diagnosis, depending on how long it's been since you were tested for hep C. Consider going over them before you meet with your doctor:

- How long have you been living with hep C?
- Have you been experiencing any of the following symptoms?
 - Fever
 - Vomiting
 - Joint pain
 - Fatigue (feeling tired)
 - Abdominal pain (pain in the gut)
 - Jaundice (yellow coloring of the eyes or skin)
 - Loss of appetite
 - Dark urine
 - Nausea (upset stomach)
 - Clay-colored stools

You might also want to consider writing down any concerns or questions you have that are not on this list before your appointment.