

GRAND ROUNDS

Friday July 27, 2018 - 8.30am-10am PDT

BC Centre for Disease Control • 655 West 12th Ave • Vancouver, BC

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Expanding Hepatitis C Screening and Treatment Access in Community



Dr. Mel Krajden, MD, FRCP (C)
Hepatitis C testing in an era of
curability

Medical Director of the BCCDC Public Health Laboratory; Medical Head of Hepatitis Services at the BCCDC; Professor UBC's Dep't of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine



Dr. Alnoor Ramji, MD, FRCP
Hepatitis C care linkage and treatment
in primary care

Clinical Associate Professor at UBC; practicing clinician at St. Paul's Hospital; clinical and research interests in viral hepatitis

Dr. Mel Krajden will: provide an update on HCV epidemiology (BC), key populations affected, the impact of the overdose crisis on affected populations; recommendations on who to test for HCV, frequency of tests for those with ongoing acquisition risks; discuss the World Health Organization's strategy to eliminate HBV and HCV by 2030; provide guidance on testing (including liver fibrosis markers) for co-infections (e.g. HAV, HBV, and HIV), co-morbid conditions and treatment monitoring options (test of cure, re-infection, and resistance testing).

Dr. Alnoor Ramji will provide an overview of current treatment guidelines for HCV treatment in Canada, including: baseline clinical assessment of patients for treatment, selection of treatment regimens, cure confirmation, post-treatment assessment and follow-up, and selection of patients for treatment in primary care and those needing referral to or management in collaboration with a hepatologist.

The webinar will conclude with brief **comments from patients** regarding HCV screening, stigma and trusting relationships between patients and their care providers.

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Registered participants (MDs only) can earn MoC credits.