

Appendix 2:

How to participate in the LiveRx as a pharmacist

The LiveRx study welcomes all pharmacists with their additional prescribing authorization (APA) to participate. Pharmacists will be required to perform point-of-care testing utilizing the OraQuick HCV antibody test, dried blood spot testing, order necessary laboratory investigations, and prescribe HCV treatment. Participating pharmacists will be provided with adequate training and support to have the confidence in engaging all of the above activities.

Training program:

1. International Network on Health and Hepatitis in Substance Users (INHSU) modules
 - a. HCV epidemiology, prevention, and natural history
 - b. HCV testing and liver disease staging
 - c. Treatment options for HCV
 - d. Monitoring, adherence, and post-treatment follow-up
2. OraQuick HCV antibody training program
 - a. Online module and quiz
3. Dried Blood Spot Testing
 - a. One on one virtual training with post-doctoral fellow for the LiveRx study
4. Self-directed review of comprehensive pharmacy guide for the LiveRx study
 - a. One on one follow-up with post-doctoral fellow for the LiveRx study to address any questions

In addition, pharmacists are able to contact the post-doctoral fellow for the LiveRx study at any time with questions or concerns for guidance.

If you would like to participate as a pharmacist in the LiveRx study, please send an email to Liverx@ucalgary.ca and the post-doctoral fellow will be in contact with next steps.