

Appendix 3: Hepatitis C Certification Program for Pharmacists

Thank you for your interest in the Calgary Liver Unit Hepatitis C Professional Certification Program for Pharmacists.

About the course:

The Calgary Liver Unit Hepatitis C Professional Certification Program is designed to arm pharmacists with the knowledge and confidence to identify and manage patients with chronic Hepatitis C (HCV) infection. The course provides the opportunity to review and execute the core competencies of HCV management to improve patient care.

How is this course delivered?

This course is delivered entirely online and participants will be able to work through the course at their own pace. There are no scheduled class or meeting times.

Course overview:

Participants will receive their Certification in Hepatitis C Management from the Calgary Liver Unit for successfully completing the following:

1. Completion of the required training modules to participate in the LiveRx study
2. Submission of two patient cases demonstrating your knowledge of HCV screening, assessment, and treatment; must receive a passing grade as per the course rubric.

Core competencies:

Competency	Description
Competency 1	Demonstrates a thorough knowledge of the epidemiology of HCV
Competency 2	Demonstrates a robust knowledge of the pathophysiology of HCV
Competency 3	Is knowledgeable in HCV prevention strategies
Competency 4	Is able to demonstrate proper technique when conducting HCV point-of-care testing and/or dried blood spot testing
Competency 5	Demonstrates the ability to appropriately diagnose HCV infection
Competency 6	Demonstrates a sound knowledge of complex HCV patients and when a referral to a Specialist is appropriate
Competency 7	Demonstrates a thorough knowledge of drug interaction management with HCV treatment
Competency 8	Utilizes shared decision making in the selection of pharmacotherapy for HCV treatment
Competency 9	Implements appropriate follow-up strategies
Competency 10	Identifies patients who may benefit from supports of a community based organization

Certificate:

Once the course administrator has confirmation that all assessments have been passed, your Certificate of Completion will be available for download.

How do I enroll?

If you would like to enroll in this certification program, please email liverx@ucalgary.ca and the post-doctoral fellow will provide you with further information.