

#### **New York State**

## Hepatitis C Elimination Plan Progress Report

2022

# Hepatitis C Elimination Recommendations Met



- Surveillance, Data, and Metrics Recommendation: Estimate baseline status for key outcomes to inform the development of realistic but ambitious targets for these outcomes as part of the New York State Hepatitis C Elimination plan.
- Social Determinants of Health Recommendation: Fully legalize the possession of both syringes and all non-injection drug use equipment, and ensure that any drug residue found on any syringe or non-syringe injection equipment, regardless of the syringe or equipment's origin, be excluded from qualifying as criminal possession of a controlled substance.
- Social Determinants of Health Recommendation: Support the evolution of New York State
  Office of Addiction Services and Supports policy away from an abstinence-only service model.

#### Key Accomplishments by Focus Area<sup>1</sup>



#### **Hepatitis C Prevention**

- New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision and local jails established medication for opioid use disorder program.
- Two overdose prevention centers opened in New York City.

#### **Hepatitis C Testing and Linkage to Care**

- Hepatitis C learning collaborative for substance use disorder treatment programs launched.
- Hepatitis B and C outbreak and detection response plan developed.

#### **Hepatitis C Care and Treatment Access**

- Hepatitis C billing guidance issued for opioid treatment programs.
- Hepatitis C telehealth collaborative launched in New York State Addiction Treatment Centers.
- Hepatitis C telehealth toolkit published.
- Hepatitis B and C outbreak and detection response plan developed.

#### **Social Determinants of Health**

 AIDS Institute hepatitis C care and treatment initiative implemented screening for social determinants of health.

#### **Surveillance, Data, and Metrics**

- Elimination metrics were published on the Hepatitis C Elimination Dashboard.
- Processes developed to improve hepatitis C laboratory reporting data.

### Hepatitis C Elimination Metrics



#### New Hepatitis C Diagnoses<sup>2</sup>

#### 2022<sup>3</sup>

79,507 People diagnosed between 2015 and 2022 in New York State

#### 2030 Goal

122,100 People diagnosed between 2015 and 2030 in New York State

#### **Hepatitis C Treatment and Clearance**<sup>4</sup>

#### 2022

53.1% have been treated or cured

#### 2030 Goal

80% will have been treated or cured

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Percent of people diagnosed with hepatitis C (evidence of a positive hepatitis C RNA or genotype test) who have been treated or cleared the virus.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Information gathered from AIDS Institute programs and staff on the activities occurring from January 1 through December 31, 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> People with evidence of a positive hepatitis C RNA or genotype test.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Mathematical modeling was used to identify high and low estimates of the number of people who need to be diagnosed between 2015 and 2030 to reach the elimination goal of diagnosing 90% of people living with hepatitis C, many of whom may not know that they are infected. The high-end estimates were 74,100 for 2022 and 122,100 for 2030.