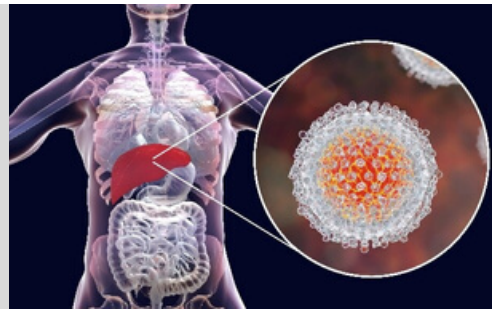


Hepatitis C Facts

Easy Read

Hepatitis C is a virus that damages the liver.
But hepatitis C is curable with medication.



You can get hepatitis C when the blood of
someone who has hepatitis C gets into
your blood stream.



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There are different ways you can get
hepatitis C:

You share things like needles, syringes
spoons, water, or swabs with other
people when you use drugs.



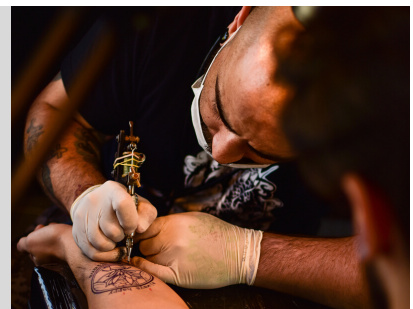
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You had a blood transfusion before 1991.



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You had a tattoo or piercing outside the UK or, you had a tattoo or piercing somewhere that isn't a tattoo or piercing shop.



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You do not use a condom when you have sex with someone who has hepatitis C.



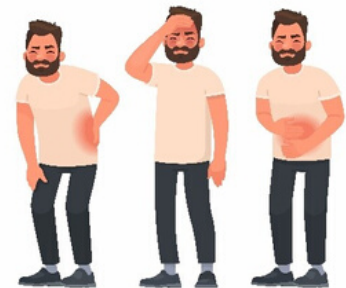
If you have hepatitis C, you can pass it to your child when you are pregnant



If hepatitis C is not cured, it can make you very sick.



Hepatitis C affects everyone differently. You might feel tired or depressed, have memory loss, headaches, muscle or joint pain, or yellow eyes (jaundice)



If you have hepatitis C, you might feel fine. But hepatitis C can still make you sick.



If you think you have hepatitis C, you should get a hepatitis C test from your doctor.



Your doctor will test your blood to see if you have hepatitis C.



If you have hepatitis C, your hepatitis C doctor or nurse will give you tablets



You will take the tablets every day for 8-12 weeks to cure hepatitis C.



Your hepatitis C doctor or nurse will tell you when your hepatitis C is cured.

