



CHIPO-NYC

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New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Viral Hepatitis Program



CHIPO-NYC Goals



Bring together NYC organizations, service providers, and advocates dedicated to ending hepatitis B and C in the African communities



Raise awareness about hepatitis B and C in the African-born community in NYC



Support partner organizations to build capacity to provide:

- Testing
- Linkage to care
- Liver cancer screening
- Treatment support



Identify and reduce cultural and language barriers to:

- Immunization
- Screening
- Treatment for liver diseases



Provide screening, immunization, referral services for African immigrants

CHIPO-NYC Objectives

The objectives of the CHIPO-NYC Liver Health Initiative are:

- Organize hepatitis B and C screening and vaccination events in collaboration with organizations serving African communities
- Distribute hepatitis resources to African communities and table at health fairs
- Promote the Check Hep B Patient Navigation Program as a resource to organizations serving the African community
- Develop local hepatitis B and C awareness and education campaigns and strategies
- Advocate for an FQHC-based “African Immigrant Health Program” that would address viral hepatitis and the unique needs of the African immigrant community
- Explore the development of a “Liver Cancer Prevention Fund” to cover the cost of hepatitis testing and medical evaluation for the uninsured



Meeting Planning

- CHIPO-NYC was reinvigorated in September of 2017
- CHIPO- NYC meets quarterly at African Services Committee
- African food is provided at each meeting
 - Sponsored by pharmacies
- Newsletters are sent out to the members
 - Reminders
 - Updates
 - Opportunities

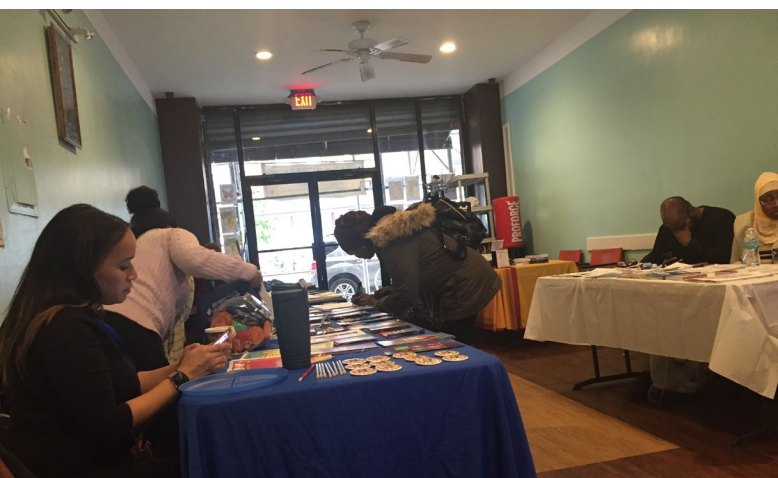




CHIPO-NYC Members

The NYC chapter brought together:

- Health organizations
 - Hospital
 - FQHC
 - Health Care Center
 - Pharmacy
- Service providers
 - Patient navigators
 - Social workers
 - Nurses
 - Pharmacists
 - MDs
- Advocates
 - Immigrant affairs
 - New York Immigration Coalition
 - President of the Senegalese Association



CHIPO-NYC Accomplishments

- Community Health Action of Staten Island (CHASI) received funding for and is implementing a hepatitis B outreach and navigation project for the African community on Staten Island
- Montefiore Hospital and African Services Committee advocated for and received increased funding to support outreach and patient navigation to neighborhoods in the Bronx and Northern Manhattan
- Developed and printed educational materials, including the “Hep B Pocket Card” in English and French
- Collaborated for free screening events and/or awareness with community-based organizations:
 - **African Services Committee**
 - **Center for Health Equity and Community Wellness**
 - **Community Health Action of Staten Island (CHASI)**
 - **CUNY BMI for their 14th annual conference**
 - **Hep B Foundation**
 - **Senegalese Association**
 - **Manhattan Borough’s Office, African Task Force Meeting**



CHIPO-NYC Materials

CHIPO NYC Hepatitis B and C Voucher

Name: _____

Language: ☐ French ☐ English ☐ Other: _____

I'm coming in for: ☐ Hepatitis B ☐ Hepatitis C

Service: ☐ Screening ☐ Vaccine ☐ Evaluation

*Free vaccines are offered. *Screening is free at some sites.

Health Center/Hospital: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Any problems, call or visit: _____

CHIPO NYC Hepatitis B and C Billet

Nom: _____

Langue: ☐ Français ☐ Anglais ☐ Autre: _____

Je suis en visite pour: ☐ Hépatite B ☐ Hépatite C

Service: ☐ Dépistage ☐ Vaccination ☐ Evaluation

*Les vaccins sont gratuits. *Le dépistage est gratuit dans certaines cliniques.

Clinique/Hôpital: _____

Adresse: _____

Numéro de téléphone: _____

En cas de problème, contacter: _____

CHIPO HEPATITIS B

Hepatitis B (Hep B) is a virus transmitted through blood contact or sex. Most people get it at birth.

It is possible to get Hep B from having unprotected sex, sharing personal care items (razors or toothbrushes), used needles or ritual circumcision.

HEALTHY LIVER

Your liver keeps you alive, it cleans toxins from your blood, and makes energy for your body. With Hep B, the liver can't do its job.

SCARRING OF THE LIVER

Hep B is a virus that attacks the liver. Most people don't feel sick, and don't know their liver is getting damaged.

SEVERE LIVER DAMAGE

Hep B can get worse over time. Symptoms can take 30 years to show, and are often a sign of advanced liver disease.

LIVER CANCER

Hep B can lead to liver cancer. The only way of surviving liver cancer is surgery or transplant.

GET TESTED

Get tested to know if you have Hep B. Medications are available to prevent liver damage even for those with **no insurance at no cost.** Don't wait until it's too late.

You can avoid the painful journey. Protect yourself and your family by getting **tested and vaccinated.**



PROTECT YOUR LIVER

Hepatitis B
The facts you need to know

HEALTHY LIVER

SCARRING OF THE LIVER

SEVERE LIVER DAMAGE

LIVER CANCER

NEED HELP? Contact us to get Hepatitis B testing, vaccine, care and treatment.

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