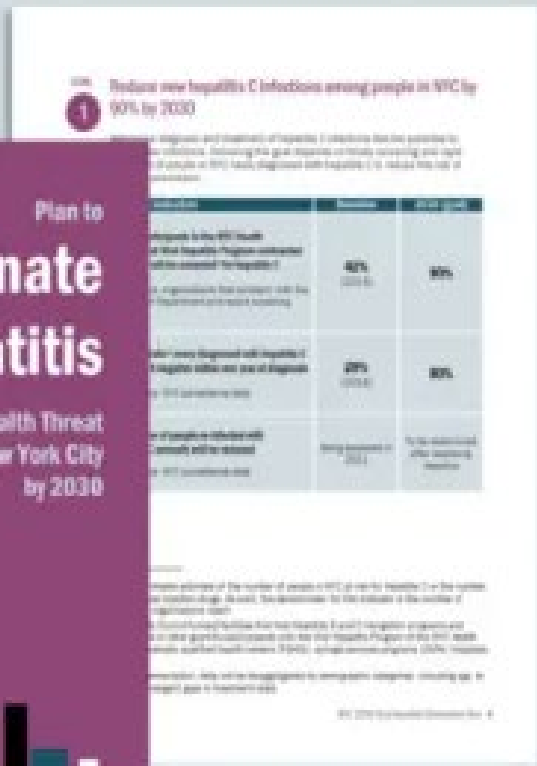
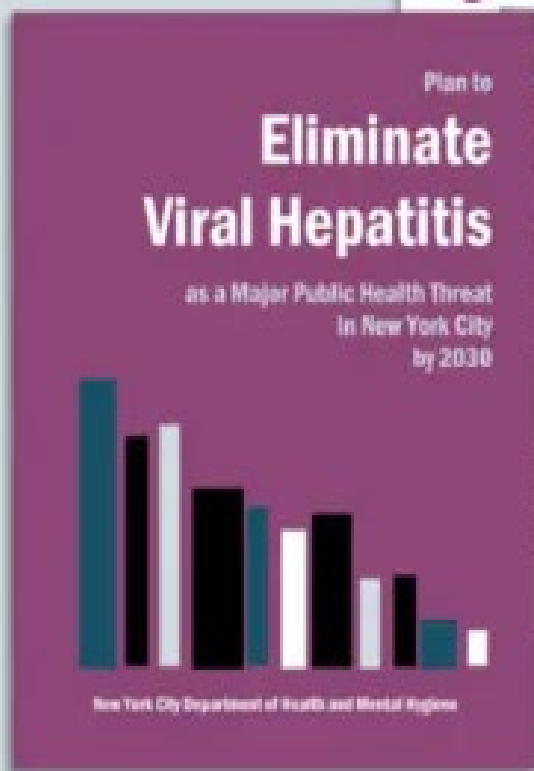


# Hep Free NYC Hep C Task Force Meeting: Elimination Update

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# Plan to Eliminate Viral Hepatitis as a Major Public Health Threat in New York City by 2030

New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

# Priorities for 2024

- NYC DOHMH Viral Hep Programs staff conducted Elimination Retreat
- Decided on focus for CY 2024: **Testing and Linkage to Care Strategies**
- The selected strategies include efforts to:
  - expand testing in community settings and health care facilities,
  - increase the availability of culturally and linguistically responsive patient navigation and care coordination, and
  - advance policy to make navigation and care coordination reimbursable and sustainable in the long term.

# Hep C Strategies

- Support health care facilities to build universal screening, rescreening capacity
- Expand culturally responsive patient navigation & care coordination services
- Increase funding for patient navigation programs
- Advocate for Medicaid/insurance reimbursement for patient navigation & care coordination
- Expand point of care and DBS confirmatory RNA testing in community settings
- Advocate to eliminate all remaining prior authorization requirements

# What can you do to expand Hep C testing in community settings?

- What partnerships can be built?
- How can we support systems that screen everyone at risk?
- What can you do to expand your Hep C testing efforts?

# What Actions Can You Take to Implement the Plan?

- What are community members and advocates doing to implement the Viral Hep Elimination Plan in NYC?
- Upcoming Coalition Meetings will feature people and programs working to implement the VH Elimination Plan in NYC
- Next Steps –
  - Volunteer to present at an upcoming Hep C Task Force Meeting
  - Let us know what you are doing to eliminate Hep C
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