



MedStar Family Choice Hep C Prescriber Checklist

- Office visit < 90 days old
- Hep C viral load < 90 days old if cirrhotic; <180 days old if not cirrhotic
- Hep C FibroSure** (NASH, ASH FibroSures are not accepted), Fibroscan, or liver biopsy result.
- If cirrhotic, must have Child Pugh Score with supporting labs (Bilirubin, Albumin, INR) **and** commentary in the office note about presence or absence of ascites and encephalopathy. All must be < 90 days old.
- If HIV+, HIV viral load < 6 months old, showing <200 copies/mL
- If Hep B+, Hep B viral load 6 months old
- Hep C genotype lab
- Documentation that patient has **chronic** hep C meaning hep C present for \geq 6 months.

Submit:

- Lab studies showing 6 months of viremia
- or**
- Statement in last office visit note of when member was diagnosed
- or**
- Statement of estimation of when hepatitis C was acquired (these will be sent to MDH for review). An example of an acceptable statement is: *“Even though the patient first tested positive for hepatitis C on _____, I am certain he/she acquired the virus in _____ (insert year or timeframe of years) when he/she _____ (add “was actively using, got a tattoo, etc.”). Therefore, the patient most certainly has chronic hepatitis C.”*
- Treatment history documented in last office visit note, clearly stating a full hep C medication history or treatment naive.
- Complete social history.** If patient has a history of or currently has substance abuse disorder (ETOH included), please document that patient is well enough to be compliant with hep C treatment regimen.