# Hepatitis at NASTAD (HepNET, HepTAC, PLA) and DVH

Thursday, October 14 3:15 PM - 4:30 PM



### Welcome

 Today's session will begin with presentations by NASTAD followed by presentations by the CDC's Division of Viral Hepatitis

 We will save some time at the end for questions from attendees





NASTAD's Hepatitis **Technical** Assistance, Capacity Building, and Resource Offerings

## ABOUT NASTAD



**WHO**: A non-partisan non-profit association founded in 1992 that represents public health officials who administer HIV and hepatitis programs in the U.S.



**WHERE**: NASTAD represents all 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, seven local jurisdictions receiving direct funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the U.S. Pacific Island jurisdictions.



**HOW**: We work to advance the health and dignity of people living with and impacted by HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, and intersecting epidemics by strengthening governmental public health through advocacy, capacity building, and social justice.

### **MISSION**

NASTAD's mission is to advance the health and dignity of people living with and impacted by HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, and intersecting epidemics by strengthening governmental public health and leveraging community partnerships.

### **VISION**

NASTAD's vision is a world committed to ending HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, and intersecting epidemics.

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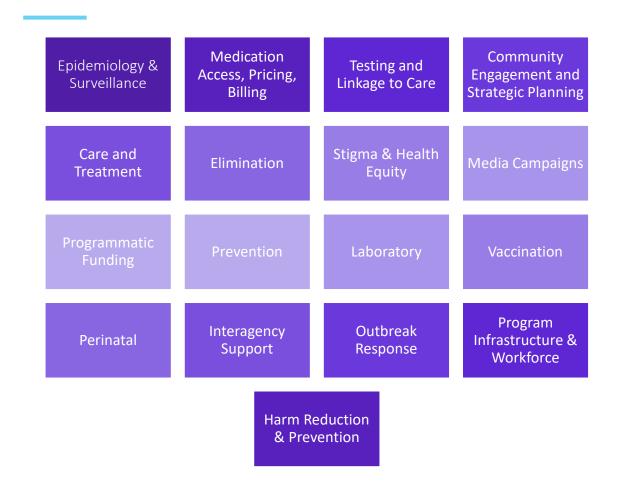
# NASTAD's Online Technical Assistance platform for Hepatitis

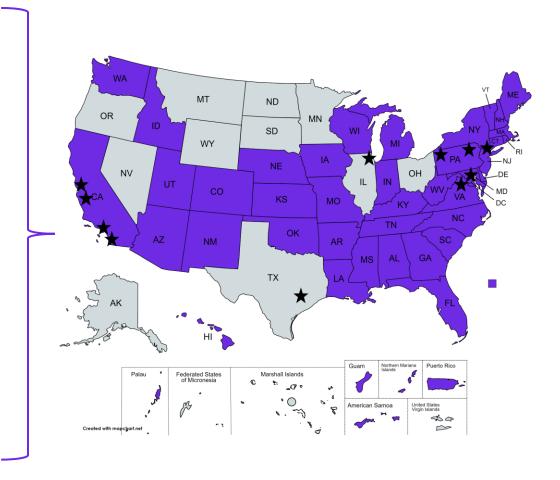
CDC Strengthening Public
Health Systems and Services
Through National
Partnerships to Improve
and Protect the Nation's
Health (CDC-18-1802)

- Recipient: NASTAD
- ~\$500,000, annually
- 5-year: August 1, 2018 July 31, 2023

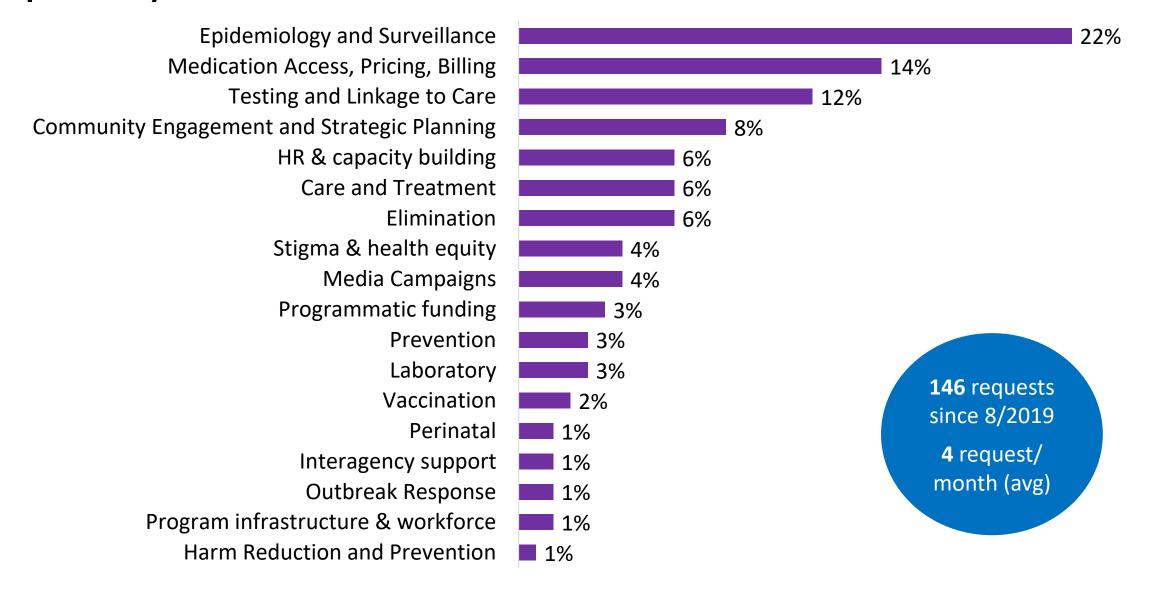


## NASTAD's HepTAC Focus Areas





### Requests by technical area



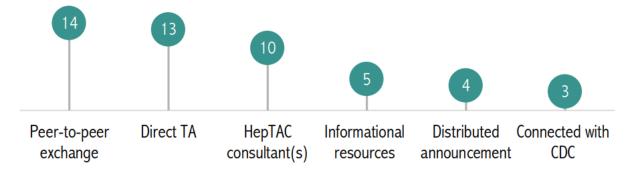
## TA Modalities

- Peer-to-peer TA
- HepTAC Consultants
- Resource sharing and requests for information
- Collaboration with other NASTAD teams, external partners and CDC

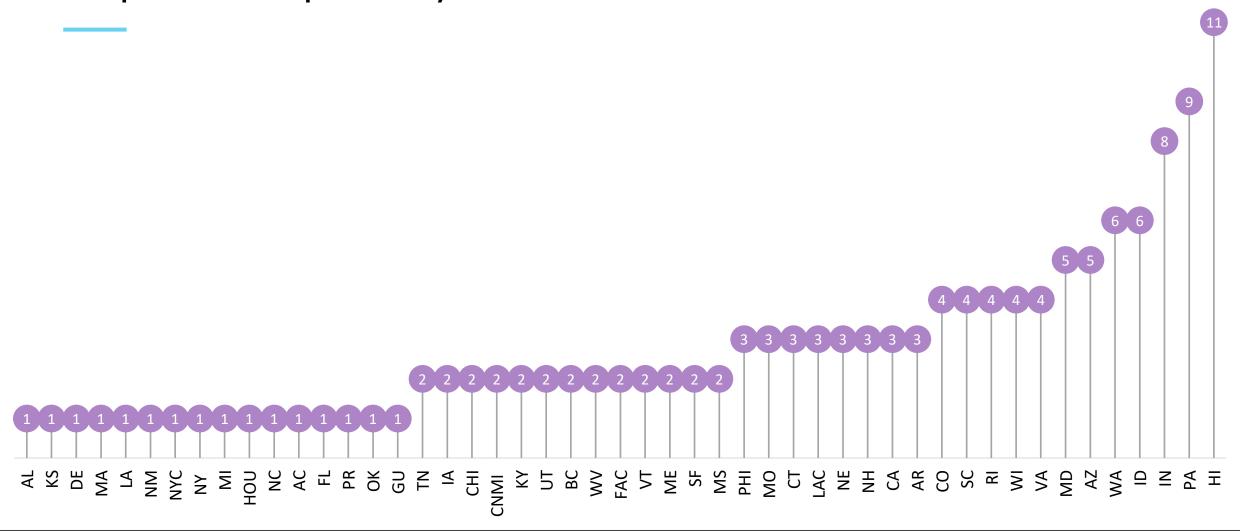
#### **Outcomes:**

- Workgroups
- Resource development (ex: toolkits)
- Resource bank
- Webinars (ex: 340B series)

Figure 5. NASTAD's responses to TA requests most commonly include peer-to-peer exchange and coaching, directly or through HepTAC consultants (n=21).



## HepTAC Request by Jurisdiction



## Virtual Learning Collaborative (VLC)

Goal: to support viral hepatitis health department staff implement prevention and surveillance activities set forth in CDC's Integrated Viral Hepatitis Surveillance and Prevention Funding for Health Departments (CDC-RFA-PS21-2103) and is open to all state, territorial, and local health departments.

#### **VLC Year 1**

Sept. 2021 – July 2022

**20** sessions

**133** participants (avg)

**41** jurisdictions (avg)

#### VLC Year 2

Sept 21, 2022, Kickoff

**168** participants

**50** jurisdictions

## VLC Year 1: Participation & Views

Session	Number of participants	Number of jurisdictions
Sept. 8-Surveillance Guidance, Pt. 1	113	43
Sept. 22-Elimination Plan Development	100	37
Oct. 13-Building or Enhancing a Coalition, Pt. 1	80	37
Oct. 27-Conducting Case Investigation	88	34
Nov. 10-Outbreak 101, Pt. 1	118	37
Dec. 15-Special session on HCV Surveillance, Pt. 2	133	41
Jan. 12-Building or Enhancing a Coalition, Pt. 2	85	30
Jan. 26-Statutes and Mandates for Lab Reporting	137	45

- 8383 views of recordings on YouTube playlist
- Establishing and Conducting Surveillance and Case Management for Perinatal HCV: ~2600 views;
- Removing Restrictions on Access to Hepatitis Treatment: 1368 views;
- Working in Coalition to Advance Viral Hepatitis Testing: SSPs and MAT settings: 933 views

## VLC Year 1: Evaluation Data



I trust NASTAD, and I know that they try to reflect the needs of what we bring up to them. So...I knew that it would be quality content.

It's just getting feedback and learning about other jurisdictions and their processes that really keeps me coming back and what I really appreciate about the VLC sessions.



You see the topic or the title of the presentation, and you're like, 'Yep. I talk about this all the time.' It's just a broad topic. But I feel like each one, I learned something new out of it, or a couple of new things or I learned a new product or tool that someone's using that I could maybe look into.

Session	Number of participants	Number of jurisdictions
Feb. 9-Outbreak 101, Pt. 2	123	46
Feb. 23-Testing Partnerships	103	40
Mar. 9-Provider Awareness	146	40
Mar. 23-High Volume Testing	131	43
Apr. 13-Electronic Surveillance	114	43
Apr.27-Reporting to Health Departments	96	36
May11-Treatment Access	128	42
May25-Reflex HCV Testing	112	40
Jun.8-Longitudinal Databases	126	44
Jun.15-Perinatal Case Management	105	41
Jul. 13-Testing in SSP, MAT Settings	115	46
Jul. 27-Case Matching	119	44

#### **VLC Year 2 Content**

- Engaging non-traditional partners and people with lived experience in elimination planning and implementation
- Using a health equity approach to improve data collection and use of demographic data and risk factors
- Elimination planning next steps: Implementation
- Working across the health department and with other state agencies to increase collaboration on viral hepatitis prevention and surveillance activities

- Improving provider awareness & capacity to increase viral hep. Vaccination, reporting, testing & treatment, Part 2
- Implementing negative/undetectable HBV DNA and HCV RNA lab reporting and developing a labbased HCV clearance cascade
- Elimination planning next steps: Monitoring and Evaluation
- Implementing anti-racist and harm reduction practices into elimination planning and VH activities

#### **Analytics**

- VLC Year 2 Kickoff held on Sept 21, 2022: 168 participants, representing 50 jurisdictions
- 268 views (252 unique)

## HepTAC Resources

- 340B for Viral Hepatitis Programs
- Hepatitis C Community Navigation Model and Toolkit: Improving Care for People Who Use Drugs and Other Impacted Populations
- New Viral Hepatitis Health Department Staff Toolkit
- Upcoming Resources:
  - Building a Coalition to Support Viral Hepatitis Elimination Toolkit
  - Assess Laboratories Regarding Viral Hepatitis Testing Toolkit
  - Dataset Matching Toolkit
  - Health Systems Assessment Toolkit

HEPATITIS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (HEPTAC)

## HepTAC Resource Bank

214 resource bank visits

444 microsite visits





612 webinar series views

#### **Resources:**

- Advancing 340B Within Health Department Leadership (new)
- 340B for Viral Hepatitis 5-part Webinar Series
- 340B Drug Pricing Program Guidance for Viral Hepatitis Programs

#### **Direct TA Outcomes:**

- NYC: Collaboration with START Treatment and Recovery Centers to initiate 340B process and scale up HCV Tx
- Hawai'i: Worked with HD and Dept of Public Safety to develop MOU and successfully submit application
- Indiana: Assisted HD staff in developing talking points for leadership buy-in

https://nastad.org/resources/340b-viral-hepatitis-programs-340b-drug-pricing-program-guidance-webinar-series

Hepatitis C Community Navigation Model and Toolkit: Improving Care for People Who Use Drugs and Other Impacted Populations

Overview

Navigation Program Design

**Navigation Tools** 

**Navigation Training** 

Navigation Forms and Templates

Hep C Telemedicine Implementation Guide HEP C COMMUNITY NAVIGATION MODEL AND TOOLKIT

## Navigation Forms and Templates

#### FORMS AND TEMPLATES

Hep C Navigator Business Card Template

**Navigator Certificate Template** 

Hep C Navigation Form - PeerShort/Outreach

Hep C Navigation Form -- Community Settings SSPs

Hep C Navigation Form -- Healthcare Settings

Case Notes Template

**Navigation Care Plan** 

**Treatment Planning Form** 

- Hep C Community Navigation Model and Toolkit
- Navigation Forms and Templates
- Presentation Slides
- Hep C Telemedicine Implementation Guide

Toolkit views: 1,693

Training video:
233 participants
348 views









### NASTAD's Hepatitis Network for Education and Testing

Focused on identifying and addressing the unmet needs of people who inject drugs to improve their access to viral hepatitis education, prevention, testing, linkage to care, and treatment.









- What is HepNET? Network Stakeholders and Structure
- 2,006 visits to HepNET, (*May 2022 present*)
- 161 recruited network members
- 2 Training Consultants
  - 3 Leading with Lived Experience Consultants
- Join HepNET!

CDC National Viral Hepatitis Education, Awareness, and Capacity Building for Communities and Providers (CDC 21-2105)

- Recipient: NASTAD
- Partners: NACCHO, NVHR
- ~\$275,000 annually
- 5-year: Oct 1, 2021 Sept 30, 2026



#### ↓ HEPATITIS INDEX RESOURCE DOCUMENTS

Access

Diagnosis

Linkage to Care

Prevention

Strategy

Testing, Screening, and Re-infection

**Treatment** 

#### **Outcomes Delivered:**

#### Membership Reach (2017-2021)

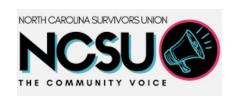
- 368 members with 97% geographic representation in US jurisdictions and territories
- 475 Unique Resources
  - 130+ webinars
  - 65 Requests for Information
- 20 Unique Topics
  - 12.6% Advocacy-Related Resources
  - 12.4% Elimination-Related Resources
  - 12.4% Testing-Related Resources
  - 11.0% Treatment-Related Resources
- Created a partnership listserv of 368 members who shared resources, strategies, and lessons learned to build capacity and increase hepatitis C testing and linkage to care
- Launched a community of practice to strengthen hepatitis C testing and linkage to care in 9 jurisdictions
- Developed a Hepatitis Index Resource of 475+ resources over the duration of the award
- Strengthened partnerships between city, county, and state health departments, national nonprofits, federal agencies, industry partners, academia, community-based organizations, and other stakeholders



## Snapshot of Strategic Partners















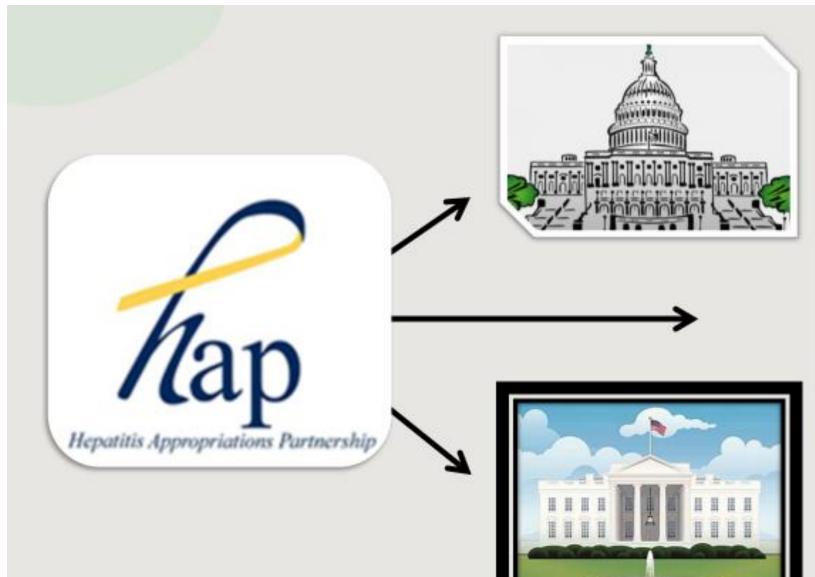






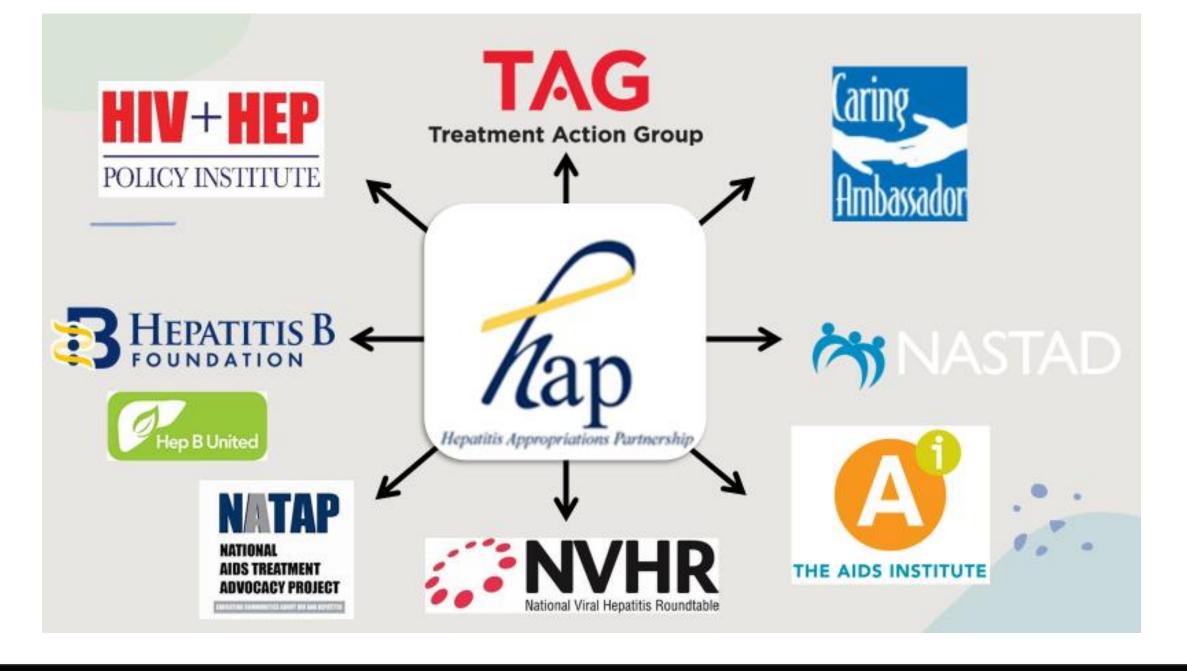












## HAP's Funding Lines



#### **Hepatitis Prevention Program**

Division of Viral Hepatitis
National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis,
STD, and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP)
Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention (CDC)



#### Infectious Disease and the Opioid Epidemic

National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)







## Congressional Hepatitis Caucus

#### **House of Representatives:**

Grace Meng (D-NY-06)



Hank Johnson (D-GA-04)



Senate: Mazie Hirono (D-HI)





## 2022 Advocacy Recap

- Hepatitis Policy Summit & Hill Day (March-April 2022)
  - 4 total webinars
  - 55 advocates joined largest-ever virtual Hill Day
    - •48 total Hill Visits
    - •Included Senate LHHS Subcommittee leadership
- 3 Sign-On letters to Congress
  - 34 Representatives signed onto the hepatitis funding Dear Colleague letter

70 Total hill visits

59
Partner
Orgs





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