

Hepatitis C, Chronic (2016)

Clinical Criteria

An illness with discrete onset of any sign or symptom consistent with acute viral hepatitis (e.g., fever, headache, malaise, anorexia, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain),

AND

a) jaundice

OR

b) a peak elevated serum alanine aminotransferase (ALT) level >200 IU/L during the period of acute illness.

Laboratory Criteria

A positive test for antibodies to hepatitis C virus (anti-HCV)

Hepatitis C virus detection test:

Nucleic acid test (NAT) for HCV RNA positive (including qualitative, quantitative or genotype testing)

A positive test indicating presence of hepatitis C viral antigen(s), when and if a test for HCV antigen(s) is approved by FDA and available

Case Classification

Chronic, Confirmed

A case that does not meet clinical criteria or has no report of clinical criteria

AND

Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

AND

Has a positive HCV NAT or HCV antigen test

Chronic, Probable

A case that does not meet clinical criteria or has no report of clinical criteria **AND**

Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

AND

Has a positive anti-HCV antibody test, but no report of a positive HCV NAT or positive HCV antigen test

For Reference Only

Acute, Confirmed

A case that meets clinical criteria and has a positive hepatitis C virus detection test (HCV NAT or HCV antigen)

OR

A documented negative HCV antibody, HCV antigen or NAT laboratory test result followed within 12 months by a positive result of any of these tests (test conversion)

Acute, Probable

A case that meets clinical criteria and has a positive anti-HCV antibody test, but has no reports of a positive HCV NAT or positive HCV antigen tests

AND

Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

Acute, Confirmed

- Meets clinical criteria AND has a positive HCV detection test

•OR

- Documented negative HCV antibody, HCV antigen or NAT test result followed within 12 months by a positive result of any of these tests

Acute, Probable

- Meets clinical criteria AND has a positive anti-HCV antibody test, but has **no report** of a positive HCV detection test

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- Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

Chronic, Confirmed

- Does not meet clinical criteria or has no report on clinical criteria

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- Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

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- Has a positive HCV detection test

Chronic, Probable

- Does not meet clinical criteria or has no report of clinical criteria

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- Does not have test conversion within 12 months or has no report of test conversion

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- Has a positive anti-HCV antibody test, but no report of a positive HCV detection test