



Per-SVR Newsletter

Spring 2018

Per-SVR (PrEseRvation of Sustained Virologic Response) pronounced as “persevere” is a study of people who have been successfully treated of “Hep C” Virus (HCV) infection using Direct Acting Antivirals (DAA) therapy. The aim is to learn more about people’s health care needs and the factors that protect against reinfection to prevent future infections/ reinfections in the community. The hope is this information will be useful in developing polices and services for those affected by HCV.



Message from the Per-SVR Study Team

We are in full swing with the study and are looking for many more participants to join us. We are happy for people to drop in to our location at **625 Powell street** to check us out or call us at **604 416 1566**. You can also email us at **persvr@cfenet.ubc.ca**.

We encourage each of our current participants to continue with the follow up interviews as it is vital to the success of the study. Thank you for your contribution!

You may be eligible to participate in the study if you:

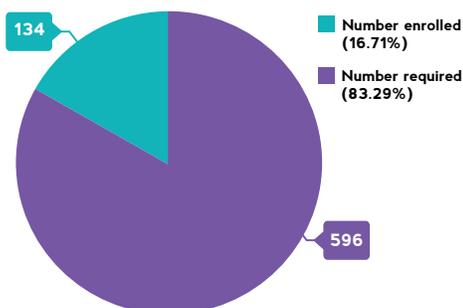
- Are currently on treatment for Hep C infection or have successfully completed treatment in the last 3 months
- Are 19 years or older.
- Live in the Greater Vancouver area

Our Locations

- 625 Powell Street
- Immunodeficiency Clinic (IDC) at St. Paul’s Hospital
- GastroIntestinal Research Institute (GIRI)
- Liver And Intestinal Research Centre (LAIR)
- Vancouver General Hospital

How is the study doing so far?

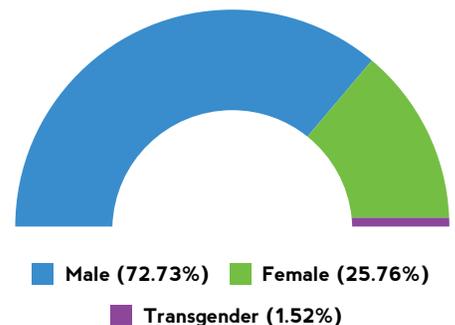
Number of Participants



81%

of participants were born between 1945 and 1975

Distribution of Gender



News & Events

Hepatitis C Treatment for All - On March 13, 2018, BC government expanded Hepatitis C treatment for all citizens regardless of disease severity. Read more.

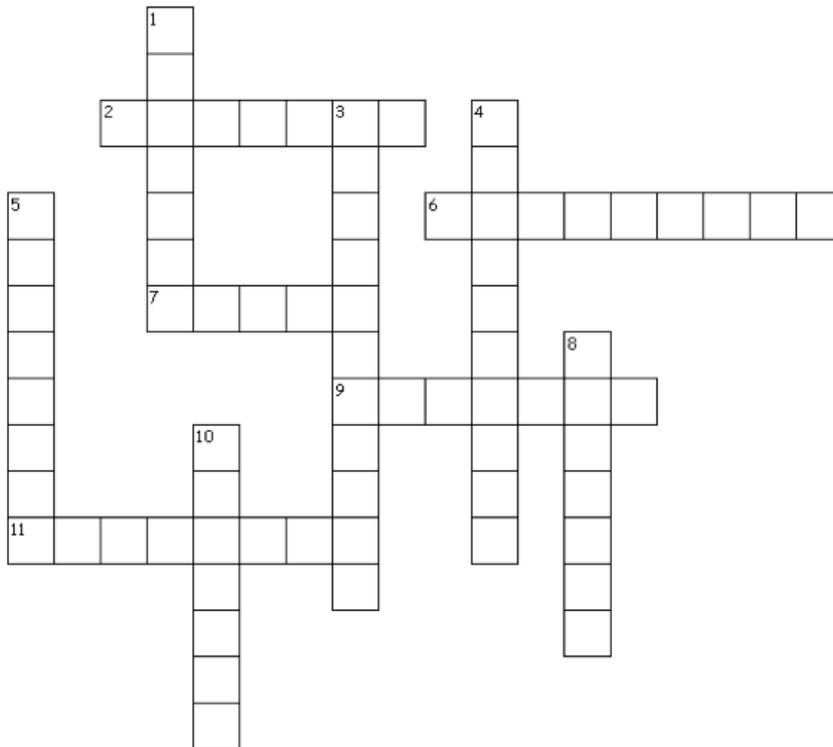
World Hepatitis Day falls on July 28. Theme is *Eliminate Hepatitis*

Creative Corner

Send in a short story, photograph, poem, quote, drawing or one liner about Hepatitis C infection and you may stand a chance to have it featured in the next edition of the newsletter. You are welcome to email your original work to us or drop it off at our office.

Hepatitis C
Elimination is possible
Unlimited opportunities

- Anonymous



Hep C Crossword Puzzle

Across:

2. All equipment that you use for injections, tattoos and body piercing must be
6. Advanced scarring of the liver
7. Reduce this in your diet for a healthy liver
9. Liquid harmful for your liver
11. This will help your liver heal

Down:

1. Use sterile equipment when you get this on your skin to avoid Hepatitis C
3. Untreated Hepatitis C can lead to this fatal disease (2 words)
4. Reduce this in your diet for a healthy liver (2 words)
5. Yellowing of the skin due to liver disease
8. Using this can prevent risk of Hepatitis C transmission
10. This exists for Hepatitis A and B but not for C

Answer to the crossword puzzle
Across: 2. Sterile 6. Cirrhosis 7. Sugar 9. Alcohol 11. Exercise
Down: 1. Tattoos 3. Liver Cancer 4. Fried Foods 5. Jaundice 8. Condoms 10. Vaccine

Meet the Per-SVR Team



Lindila spent her early years performing as “the dancing little girl” for her musician parents’ music videos and she insists that her dance moves continue to be spectacular. She went on to participate in multiple competitive modelling shows and managed to claim a few titles to her name. Nowadays when she is not busy connecting with our study community in her role as an Interviewer, she enjoys a good book, a good cup of herbal tea, strawberry ice-cream, and exploring the North Shore trails (when it’s not raining!).

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