

# NC Viral Hepatitis Task Force

## Ten Goals identified to the ongoing progress toward the elimination of hepatitis in NC

1. Advocate for the continuation of Medicaid expansion.
2. Let community and people with lived experience drive response from program planning to implementation, evaluation and advocacy.
3. Advocate for continued expansion of testing and treatment within jails and prison systems.
4. Fund bridge counselors, peer linkage to care, and/or disease intervention specialists.
5. Develop low-barrier comprehensive treatment programs.
6. Expand the workforce capacity for the management of hepatitis B and C.
7. Strengthen harm reduction and viral hepatitis advocacy efforts that advance viral hepatitis elimination.
8. Implement universal testing recommendations and utilize novel testing strategies to reach those who struggle to access testing.
9. Strengthen testing and linkage to care for hepatitis B and C for pregnant individuals.
10. Improve surveillance mechanisms for hepatitis B and C to drive action.

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