

MANAGEMENT OF EXPOSURE TO THE HEPATITIS C VIRUS

- For the source, perform testing for anti-HCV
- For the exposed person to an HCV+ person:
 - * perform baseline testing for **anti-HCV** and **ALT** and
 - * perform follow-up testing (e.g., at 4-6 months) for anti-HCV and ALT activity (if earlier diagnosis of HCV infection is desired, testing for HCV RNA may be performed at 4-6 weeks)
- Confirm all anti-HCV results reported positive by enzyme immunoassay using supplemental anti-HCV testing (e.g., recombinant immunoblot assay {RUBA})
- If HCV infection is detected, refer the INDIVIDUAL to a specialist immediately for early medical management