

Viral Hepatitis and HIV Education in a USA Prison System

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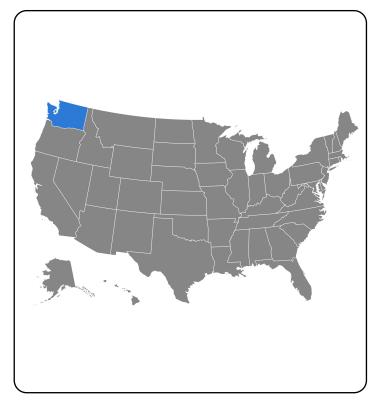
About HEP Correctional Health Program

Contract with WA DOC since 2004

Blood borne infection education

Peer education training

Reentry services and referrals















About our classes in WA DOC

Modes of disease transmission, methods for prevention, and options for treatment

Harm reduction strategies to avoid transmission of HIV/HCV/HBV

Community resources and referrals

Information for persons with chronic HBV or HCV infection

Overdose prevention information

Peer communication skills



Viral Hepatitis and Correctional Populations

Hepatitis C is **20 times** more common among incarcerated people than in the general population

1 in 5 people in WA DOC men's facilities has hepatitis C

1 in 4 people in WA DOC women's facilities has hepatitis C



Safer Use

Drug splitting

Rinsing

Syringe service programs in community

Safer Tattooing

Transmission routes

Cleaning and/or sharing

Body piercing

Safer Sex

Barriers while incarcerated

Testing resources

Language for conversations

Harm Reduction: Equipment and Strategies Harm Reduction:
Overdose
Prevention

Overdose risk for formerly incarcerated people

Naloxone

Fentanyl

Signs of an overdose

Responding to an overdose

Good Samaritan Laws

Viral Hepatitis in WA DOC

Infections Prevention

Testing

Screening

Treatment considerations

Community referrals



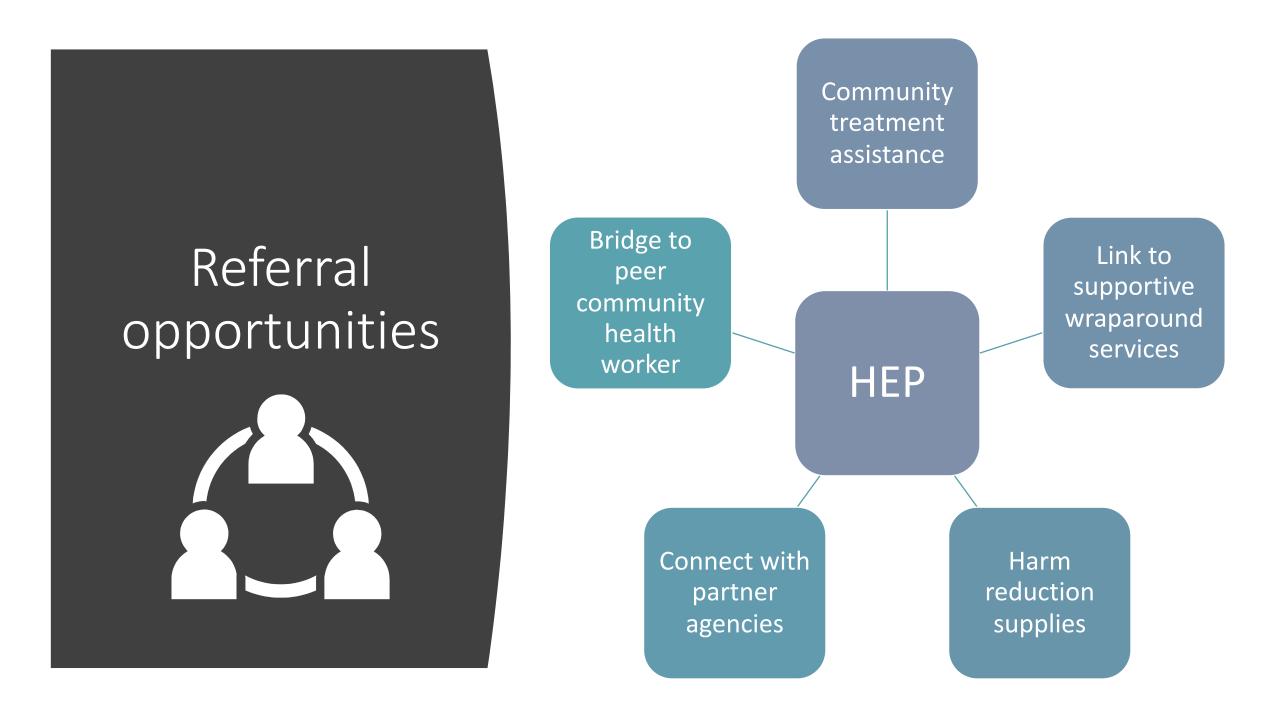
Modeling Inclusive Language

Person first language

Honor how people self-identify

Normalize use of pronouns and access needs

Value people with humility



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