

HCV Disease stages and treatment

It is time to test and cure HCV.

Stages of hepatitis C

HCV infection



Infection happens when a person is exposed to the hepatitis C virus (HCV) through blood-to-blood contact. Hepatitis C is a progressive liver disease that worsens over time. Hepatitis C can range from a mild illness lasting only a few weeks to a serious, lifelong infection.¹

Acute infection



People with an acute HCV infection usually have no symptoms or have mild symptoms. If symptoms do reveal themselves during the acute infection stage, they usually appear within 2 to 12 weeks, but can take up to 6 months to develop.¹

Chronic HCV

People with chronic HCV can live for years without symptoms or feeling sick. When symptoms do appear, they are often a sign of advanced liver disease.¹

Symptoms

Acute HCV

- Vomiting
- Stomach pain
- Joint pain
- Dark urine
- Light-colored stool
- Fever
- Fatigue
- Jaundice
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea

Chronic HCV (if untreated)

- Cirrhosis
- Liver failure
- Liver cancer
- Death



Treatment

HCV can be cured and current options are highly effective and tolerated well.

We at OraSure stand ready to assist you in the fight against HCV.

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- **Treatment cures over 95% of infections**
- **8-12 weeks of oral therapy**
- **Few side effects**



¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/knowmorehepatitis/HepatitisC-FAQ.htm>
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