## **Current Hepatology services offered at BDGH**

- 1. A designated Liver clinic
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and last Wednesday of every month
- 2. Comprehensive care in the management of both hepatitis B & C
- 3. Nurse led Hepatitis service in Medical Outpatients and Community (M. Cassell Hepatology CNS)
  - Tuesday AM (9:00-13:00)
  - Wednesday AM (9:00 13:00)
  - Thursday AM (9:00 0 13:00)
  - Outreach clinic at Addaction building in barnsley (near Burleigh Court)
    - Every Friday (12:00 15:00)
    - Patents can be referred here for clinic and bloods if required; both blood spit and venous can be completed.
    - This is a drop in service and a hot meal is provided by the churches project.
- 4. Multi Disciplinary Team (MTD's) are held every Thursday AM to discuss / agree treatment regimes.

All treatments are NICE approved. Significant developments in management / treatment of HCV, new Direct Acting Anti-Virials (DAAV) which offer viral clearance of around 95% Most are infection free, have minimal documented side affects and vary between 8-12 week regimes.

## **Hepatitis C**

## Whom to test:

- People who have ever injected drugs
- People who have received a blood transfusion before 1991 or blood products before 1986, when screening of blood donors for hepatitis C infection, or heat treatment for inactivation of viruses were introduced.
- People born or brought up in a country with an intermediate or high prevalence (2% or greater) of chronic hepatitis C. For practical purposes this includes all countries in Africa, Asia and the Caribbean, Central and South America, Eastern and Southern Europe, the Middle East and the Pacific Islands.
- Babies born to mother infected with hepatitis C. **Chronic HCV** Prisoners, including young offenders. infection; Refer Looked after children and young people, including those living care homes. to hepatitis People living in hostels for the homeless and sleeping on the streets. clinic for +VE RNA \* consideration HIV-positive men who have sex with men. for treatment Close contacts of someone known to have chronic hepatitis C. Check HCV RNA + +VE genotype **+VE RNA Check HCV**

-VE

Antibody

**Previous** 

infection, no

treatment

indicated

**HCV** 

**Consider re-testing HCV** 

risk patients

ab every 12month in high