

HepTalk Listserv Archive

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Announcements from HepTalk

Welcome to the May 2005 edition of the Listserv, a service for clinics participating in the HepTalk Project.

May is Hepatitis Awareness Month.

In light of this, we're posting a special edition. The Migrant Clinicians Network is happy to release the position paper "*Hepatitis Screening, Immunization and Testing for Mobile Populations and Immigrants from Latin America and the Caribbean.*" This paper clarifies standard hepatitis recommendations for these populations. We will be sending hard copies of the paper to all of the HepTalk clinic sites. Meanwhile, you can find the complete text at <http://www.migrantclinician.org/excellence/hepatitis>. It will also be available online at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Viral Hepatitis webpage: <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/hepatitis/index.htm>. You can go to the main page for A, B, or C, and click on the title under "What's New."

Complementing that publication is the updated HepTalk resource "*HepQuick: Transmission, Risk, Prevention and Vaccination Information.*"

This includes all of the Centers for Disease Control information for Hepatitis A, B and C on one page, and includes specifics for mobile clients and recent immigrants from the position paper. You'll be receiving a laminated version of HepQuick soon.

We are also happy to release two patient education resources developed by clinics in the HepTalk project. These posters, in both English and Spanish, can be printed on a normal computer printer and used in your clinic. These are examples of effective educational tools developed by individual clinics.

Thanks to Planned Parenthood of Central Michigan...

for sharing their great poster and Bluegrass Farmworker Health Center for sharing their simple but very effective condom sign (they have it posted in the rest-room)! If YOUR clinic has developed easy-to-reproduce and use resources to aid in hepatitis and communicable disease prevention that you would be willing to share, please send them to us at dempander@earthlink.net.

All of these resources (pdf--downloadable and printable files) can be found on the HepTalk webpage on the Migrant Clinicians Network website at <http://www.migrantclinician.org/excellence/hepatitis>. Celebrate Hepatitis Awareness Month by continuing all of your good work to protect the health of vulnerable populations.

The CDC webpage for Hepatitis Awareness Month..

is highlighting Spanish language materials. Click on these links: Bridging the Spanish Language Gap and Fact or Fiction: Test Your Viral Hepatitis IQ a <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/hepatitis/may.htm>.

- If others at your clinic would like to be on the listserv, or if you have questions about the listserv or resources listed here, or if you would like to add something to the posts, please contact Kathryn Anderson, HepTalk listserv administrator, at dempander@earthlink.net. You can also contact the listserv administrator if you would like to unsubscribe from the list.

HepTalk is a project of the Migrant Clinicians Network and Community Health Education Concepts. HepTalk is funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The goal of HepTalk is to help clinicians serving migrants and recent immigrants engage in productive discussions about hepatitis risks with their clients and help them make prevention plans. The HepTalk listserv is a support service for clinics participating in the project. This is a post-only listserv and postings will come from HepTalk staff about once a month. If others at your clinic would like to be on the listserv, or if you have questions about the listserv or resources listed here, or if you would like to add something to the posts, please contact Kathryn Anderson, HepTalk training and education coordinator and listserv administrator, at dempander@earthlink.net. You can also contact the listserv administrator if you would like to unsubscribe from the list. The content of the HepTalk listserv is compiled by HepTalk project staff.