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# The basics

## Hepatitis C treatment

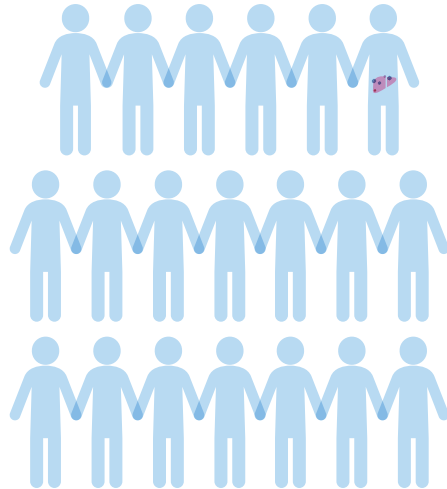


**Hepatitis C treatment has improved rapidly in recent years.**

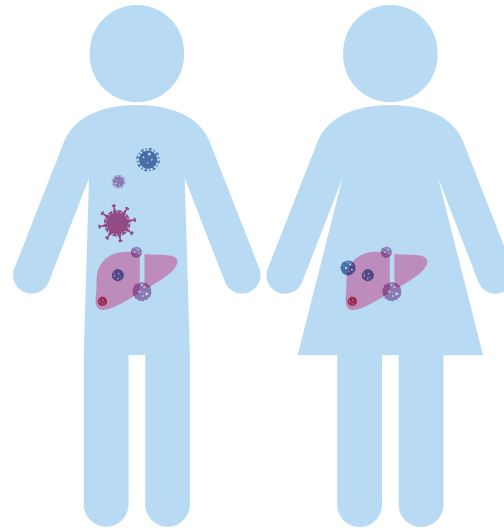


**More than 95% of people who take treatment are cured of hepatitis C.**

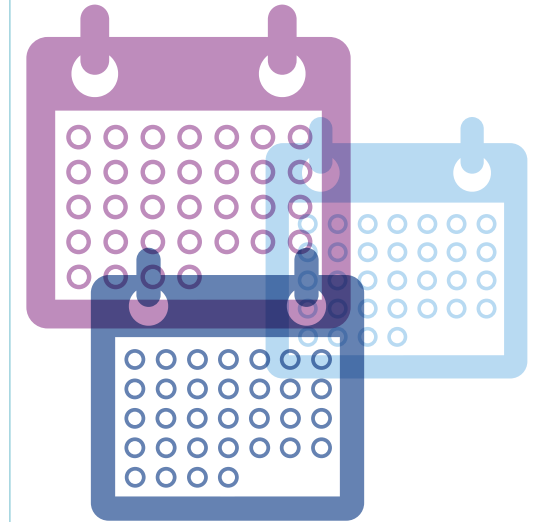
In other words, they no longer have the virus.



**Treatment works just as well for people living with HIV as for other people.**



**Treatment typically lasts two or three months.**

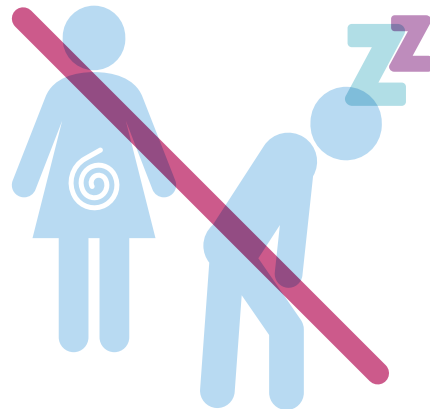


**Treatment usually involves taking tablets once or twice a day. There aren't any injections.**



**Most people don't have any side effects.**

A few people feel a little tired, feel sick, have diarrhoea or have headaches.



**Most people can carry on with their jobs and their usual activities while they take treatment.**



## **Important points**

**Modern hepatitis C treatment is simple to take and has few side effects.**

**Successful treatment clears the hepatitis C virus from your body.**