Bi-Annual Meeting of the Viral Hepatitis Action Coalition (VHAC)
Sheraton Boston Hotel
Commonwealth Ballroom, 3rd Floor
Friday, November 7, 2014

7:30–8:00am  Light Breakfast

Finance Committee

8:00–8:25am  Welcome, Introductions, and Opening Remarks  Verla Neslund, JD
              Vice President, Programs  
              CDC Foundation

              John Ward, MD
              Director, Division of Viral Hepatitis
              NCHHSTP, CDC

              Eric Goosby, MD
              Professor of Medicine
              Director, Institute for Global Health
              Delivery and Diplomacy
              University of California San Francisco

8:25–8:45am  2014 Coalition Update  
              - Funding Overview  
              - Budget Reserve  
              - VHAC Website  
              Lauren Thrash, MS  
              Senior Advancement Officer, CDC Foundation

              Brian Graaf, MPA  
              Program Officer, CDC Foundation

              Lindsay Bishop, MPH, RD  
              VHAC Program Manager  
              CDC Foundation  
              (Assigned to CDC/Division of Viral Hepatitis)

8:45–8:55am  Discussion

8:55–9:20am  Division of Viral Hepatitis Progress and Plans  John Ward, ND

9:20–9:35am  Discussion

9:35–9:40am  Wrap-Up  Eric Goosby, MD

9:40–9:45am  Closing  Verla Neslund, JD
**Steering Committee**

10:00–10:10am **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
Verla Neslund, JD
Eric Goosby, MD

10:10–11:10am **Surveillance and Evaluation**

10:10–10:25am Population-Based Evaluation: Chronic Hepatitis Cohort Study (CHeCS)
Scott Holmberg, MD *(Moderator)*
Chief, Epidemiology and Surveillance Branch
Division of Viral Hepatitis
NCHHSTP, CDC

10:25–10:35am Capitalizing on Progressive Adoption of Electronic Medical Records
Bret Shillingstad, MD, FACP
Physician, Clinical Informatics
EPIC Systems Corporation

10:35–10:45am Epi Profiles: Building Data Collection Reporting Capacity at the State Level
Catherine Cairns, MPH
Director, Infectious Disease Association of State and Territorial Health Officials

10:45–10:55am Use of Commercial Lab Data: Initial Findings
Monina Klevens, DDS, MPH
Epidemiologist
Division of Viral Hepatitis
NCHHSTP, CDC

10:55–11:10am Discussion

11:10–11:45am **Enhancements to the Division of Viral Hepatitis’ Research in Young Persons Who Inject Drugs (PWID)**

11:10–11:30am Overview of CDC Activities
Jon Zibbell, PhD
Health Scientist/Medical Anthropologist
Division of Viral Hepatitis
NCHHSTP, CDC

11:30–11:45am Discussion

11:45am–12:30pm **Lunch**

12:30–1:45pm **Hepatitis – Testing, Linkage to Care, and Treatment**

12:30–12:40pm Improving the Hepatitis Continuum of Care
Kiren Mitruka, MD, MPH *(Moderator)*
Medical Epidemiologist
Division of Viral Hepatitis
NCHHSTP, CDC
Potential Impact of an Emergency Department HCV Screening Consortium

James Galbraith, MD, FACEP
Department of Emergency Medicine
University of Alabama

Hepatitis C Community Alliance for Testing and Treatment (HepCATT)

Daniel Johnson, MD
Director, HepCATT
(Hepatitis C Community Alliance for Testing and Treatment)
University of Chicago

State-Wide Access for the Testing and Cure of Hepatitis

Kevin Cranston, MDiv
Director, Bureau of Infectious Disease
Massachusetts Department of Public Health

Improving Identification and Care of HBV in High-Risk Populations

Claudia Vellozzi, MD, MPH
Acting Chief, Prevention Branch
Division of Viral Hepatitis
NCHHSTP, CDC

Discussion

General Discussion and Next Steps

John Ward, MD
Eric Goosby, MD

Closing

Verla Neslund, JD

Afternoon Break and Light Refreshments

Global Update

Global Update: Focus Egypt, Georgia and Pakistan

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Verla Neslund, JD

Role of CDC Globally

Francisco Averhoff, MD, MPH (Moderator)
Associate Director for Global Health
Division of Viral Hepatitis
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3:05–3:25pm  Progress Towards HCV Control in Egypt  Manal Hamdy El-Sayed, MD
Professor, Ain Schams University
Egypt National Committee for
Control of Hepatitis

Wahid Doss, MD
Dean, National Liver Institute - Egypt
Ministry of Health

3:25–3:40pm  Progress Towards HCV Control in Pakistan  Huma Qureshi, MD
Executive Director
Pakistan Medical Research Council

3:40-3:55pm  Progress Towards HCV Control in Georgia  David Sergeenko, MD
Minister of Labor, Health and
Social Affairs of Georgia

3:55–4:10pm  Strategic Priorities of WHO  Stefan Wiktor, MD
Medical Officer
Global Hepatitis Programme
World Health Organization

3:00–4:50pm  Discussion

4:10–4:50pm  Wrap-Up  John Ward, MD

4:55–5:00pm  Closing  Verla Neslund, JD