

# The LJWG conference 2023

The final push for hepatitis C  
elimination in London



2023

# AGENDA

9 JUNE | 9:15AM - 4:30PM

National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO)  
Society Building, 8 All Saints Street, London N1 9RL

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9:15am

## Networking with tea and coffee



### Session one

#### Where we are now: the journey so far & what we need to do to achieve elimination

Chaired by Dr Emily Finch, LJWG co-chair and Consultant Addiction Psychiatrist,  
South London and Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust

10:00

#### Welcome

Dr Emily Finch, co-chair of the LJWG

10:10

#### What is it all about?

Muhammed Goolamelee

10:15

#### Conversation: the journey and where we need to go

Rachel Halford, Chief Executive of The Hepatitis C Trust and  
Charles Gore, Executive Director of the Medicines Patent Pool & former  
Chief Executive of The Hepatitis C Trust

10:25

#### Progress in prisons and next steps

Tony McClure, London Region Prisons Coordinator and Colette Price,  
National Female Prisons Coordinator at The Hepatitis C Trust

10:35

#### Where the LJWG started

Professor David Nutt, Neuropsychopharmacology Unit at  
Imperial College London, Department of Brain Sciences

10:45

#### Q&A with panelists

Chaired by Dr Emily Finch

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## Session two

### Embedding hepatitis C testing and treatment into systems to maintain elimination

11:25

#### Introduction

Dr Emily Finch

11:30

#### What are local authorities doing?

Nicole Klynman, Director of Public Health at Bexley Council

11:40

#### NHS England's latest initiatives: Emergency Departments, online tests and more

Professor Ashley Brown, National Clinical Lead of the NHS England Hepatitis C - Elimination Programme and Ian Jackson, Director of Commissioning at NHS London

11:50

#### Data sharing to find and treat

Diana Divajeva, Principal Public Health Analyst, City of London and London Borough of Hackney Public Health Team

11:55

#### The role of ICBs in health inequalities & inclusion health

Gary Dark, Senior Transformation Programme Manager (Respiratory & BBV), NHS North East London and Ian Jackson, Director of Commissioning at NHS London

12:05

#### Achieving elimination in drug services: finding and treating people furthest from services

Matt Milner, Associate Director - Patient Access To Care, National Initiatives Lead, Gilead & Deanne Burch, Lead Coordinator, Hep C U Later

12:15

#### A London overview: Looking back and forward

Dr Kosh Agarwal, Consultant Hepatologist at the Institute of Liver Studies, King's College Hospital & Dr Beatrice Emmanouil, Analytical Lead for Hepatitis C Elimination, Specialised Commissioning at NHS England

12:25

#### Q&A with panelists

12:45

#### GP champions: how can we case find in primary care?

Dr Aneesha Noonan, GP & ODN Primary Care Lead at NHS England & NHS Improvement  
Dr Werner Leber, GP & NIHR Clinical Lecturer in Primary Care  
Dr Grace Bottoni, GP champion  
Dr Kate Robson, GP champion, Bristol

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13:10 - 14:00

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## Session three

### Preventing new infections: rebuilding harm reduction services

14:00

#### Introduction

Dr Emily Finch

14:05

#### Harm reduction services: recent trends & what is needed in the future.

Stuart Smith, Director of Community Services at The Hepatitis C Trust and Amanda Martin, London Strategy Manager at The Hepatitis C Trust

14:15

#### Needle and Syringe Programmes in England - Progress Towards National Surveillance

Ellie Clarke, Senior Scientist - Blood Safety, Hepatitis, STI and HIV Division at the UK Health Security Agency

14:25

#### A new approach to needle exchange: Peer-based harm reduction hub and vending machine options in Hackney

Simon Young, Health Systems Coordinator for Substance Misuse at Hackney Public Health & Dee Cunniffe, Policy Lead at the LJWC

14:35

#### Q&A with panelists

## Session four

### Inclusion health: Learning from successes in approaches to hepatitis C to reduce health inequalities

15:00

#### Introduction

Dr Emily Finch

15:05

#### Nurse perspective on engaging with under-served groups

Janet Carty, Nurse Consultant at King's College Hospital

15:15

#### E-bike clinic

Dr Binta Sultan, Consultant Physician in Inclusion Health, University College Hospital

15:25

#### Find & Treat: inclusion health and collaboration with The Hepatitis C Trust

Dr Binta Sultan and Archie Christian, National Training and Volunteer Manager at The Hepatitis C Trust

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#### The hepatitis C peer programme: what we've learnt & extending to address other health issues

Chris White, Peer at The Hepatitis C Trust

15:45

#### Q&A with panelists

16:00

#### Networking with tea and coffee



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16:30