

# Integrated guidance on health clearance of healthcare workers and the management of healthcare workers infected with bloodborne viruses, hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV

SHPN guide to using the external guidance

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## Overview

This Scottish Health Protection Network (SHPN) guide should be used alongside the external guidance that it relates to.

This guide covers the UKHSA 'Integrated guidance on health clearance of healthcare workers and the management of healthcare workers infected with bloodborne viruses, hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV'.

This external guidance has been approved for use in Scotland by the SHPN Guidance Group (SHPN-GG).

## Intended audience

This guidance is for health protection professionals only.

Other people who require advice should contact their local health protection team.

# What the guidance covers

This guidance covers:

- health clearance for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV for new healthcare workers
- management of healthcare workers infected with hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV, including monitoring arrangements for those performing exposure prone procedures
- guidance and arrangements for undertaking patient notification exercises following the diagnosis of healthcare workers with hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV
- roles and responsibilities of the UK Advisory Panel on healthcare workers with blood borne viruses (UKAP) and other parties involved in the management of healthcare workers infected with hepatitis B, hepatitis C or HIV

## Guide for use in Scotland

The guidance is acceptable for use in Scotland in its current form.

## View the external guidance

This external guidance should be used together with the guide for use in Scotland provided on these pages.

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- Previously published on the Health Protection Scotland website.
- This is the first publication on the Public Health Scotland website in a new HTML format.
- There have been no changes to the recommendations.

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