

The Federation of International Societies for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

World Hepatitis Day—A Call to Eliminate Hepatitis C in Children

In recognition of World Hepatitis Day (July 28, 2025), the Federation of International Societies for Pediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition (FISPGHAN) joins the global call to eliminate hepatitis C infection, particularly in children and adolescents, who are among the most underserved populations affected by this disease.

FISPGHAN affirms its commitment to supporting these collaborative efforts aimed at **eliminating pediatric hepatitis C infection worldwide**, in alignment with the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the WHO's hepatitis elimination targets.

Hepatitis C infection is preventable, treatable, and curable. Yet millions of children around the world remain undiagnosed and untreated, many of them infected at birth or through unsafe medical practices. Without action, they face lifelong health risks, including liver cirrhosis, cancer, and early mortality.

We call on all stakeholders to join us:

- **Governments:** Integrate pediatric hepatitis C elimination into national health plans and ensure equitable access to care for all children.
- **Healthcare professionals:** Screen at-risk populations and ensure prompt diagnosis and treatment.
- **Parents & caregivers:** Ask about hepatitis C testing, especially if there are risk factors. Early detection saves lives.
- **Global community:** Support efforts to eliminate pediatric hepatitis C for a future where no child suffers from this curable disease.

Featured Resources

- √ [FISPGHAN Campaign for World Hepatitis Day —go to FISPGHAN World Hepatitis Day]
- √ [Social Media Toolkit —go to Media Toolkit]
- √ [Watch hepatitis C video —watch the video]
- √ [Quick guide to hepatitis C for pediatric providers—download PDF]
- √ [Quick guide to hepatitis C for the public—download PDF]

Please join the FISPGHAN campaign and post on social media using #EndPediatricHepatitisC, #EliminateHepatitisC, #FISPGHAN, and #WorldHepatitisDay

Together, we can and must act now to ensure that no child is left behind in the fight against hepatitis C.

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