STOP

Hepatitis C is a liver disease caused by infection with hepatitis C virus (HCV). An estimated 2.7 million Americans are infected with HCV; most are younger than 60 years old.

Most persons infected with HCV do not know it because they do not have any symptoms.

Hepatitis C can cause long-lasting liver damage, even liver cancer.

CAUTION

You should be tested for hepatitis C if you:

- **Received a blood transfusion, or organ transplant before July 1992**

- **Ever injected illegal drugs not ordered by a doctor (even many years ago)**

ASK Your Doctor

Hepatitis C can be a serious disease, but treatments are available.

A blood test can help you learn if you have hepatitis C.

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Remember to Ask Your Doctor

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