

Challenges and Opportunities Scaling Up Hepatitis Treatment in the NSW Custodial Setting

Equipment and Resources

- Two FibroScans in past.
- Third FibroScan obtained for rotating placement in NSW; additional specialist nurses trained.

Rapidly Increasing Population and Patient Access

- 20% increase in population in 3 years & still increasing.
- Corrective Services NSW relationship & patient access.

Pharmacy and Section 100 Prescribing

- All S100 scripts; no S85 like in community.
- One internal Pharmacy department.
- 260 patients treated with DAAs in 7 months.
- Treatment to continue to scale up.

Priority Population Groups

- Focus on Aboriginal population and rural correctional centres.

Strong Partnerships

- Corrective Services NSW, Hepatitis NSW, NUAA, Drug & Alcohol.

Direct Acting Antivirals available in custody

Nurse Led Model of Care

Clinical workforce

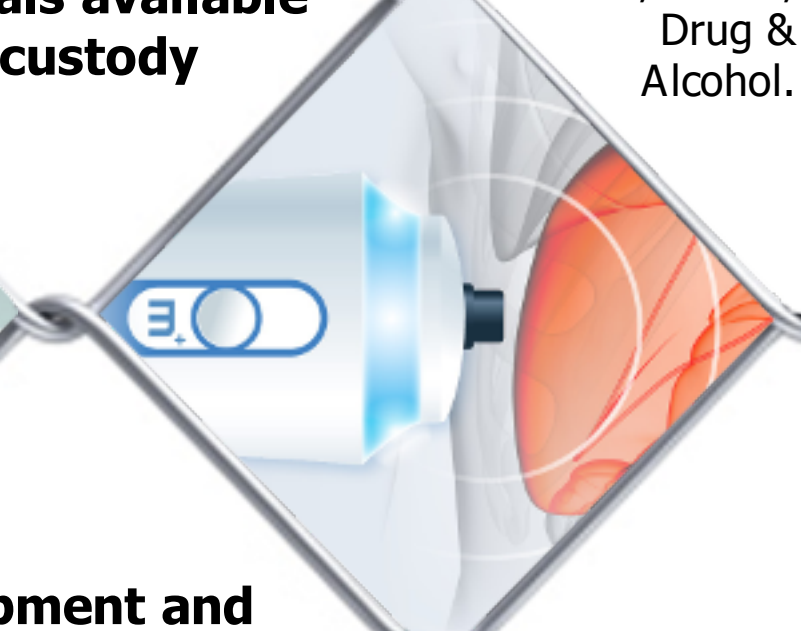
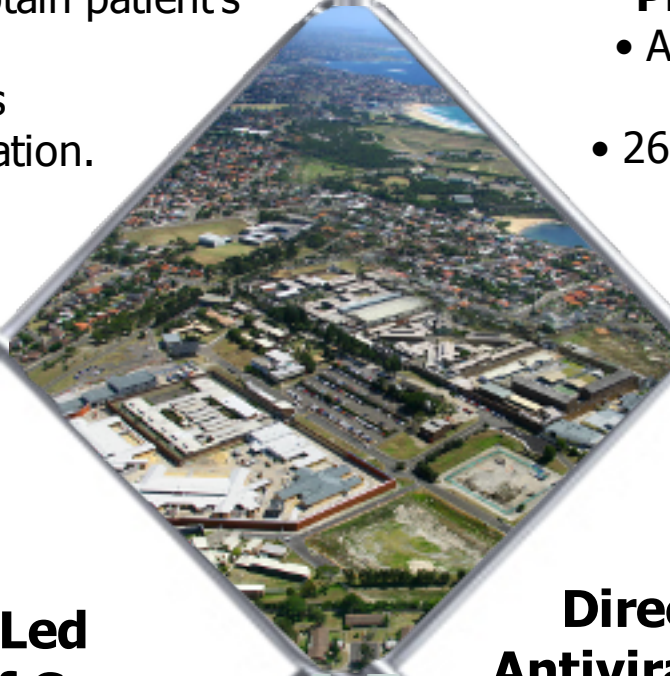
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- Established NLMC in operation for 5+ years.
- Approximately 160 patients treated per year with interferon.
- Expansion of NLMC upon new medication rollout to reach more of the 34 correctional centres across NSW.

Direct Acting Antivirals available in custody

- Commonwealth PBS listed to include people in custody.
- Analysis of different mechanisms to obtain patient's Medicare numbers.
- Approximately 33% of 12,700 inmates infected HCV; Aus' largest inmate population.

Clinical Workforce

- Review of specialist clinic nurses for assessment, and hepatology Clinical Nurse Consultants for expert review & medical case presentation for script.
- No full-time medical officers; Visiting Medical Officer contracts.



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