

Sample Focus Group Protocol

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I. Introduction by Moderator

II. Daily Activities

- Go around table and introduce by first name.
- Ask participants what they do on a typical day.
- Ask what they don't do because of their hepatitis C.
- Ask how their hepatitis C limits their daily activities.

III. Feelings about Hepatitis C

- How often do you see a doctor about your hepatitis C?
- What kind of medical care/treatment do you get for your hepatitis C?
- Do you know the cause of your hepatitis C?
- How is your life similar or different from people without hepatitis C?
- How are you doing in general now in dealing with your disease?

IV. Impact on Relationship with Others

- How has having hepatitis C affected your relationship with spouse, family members, friends and co-workers?
- Do you have trouble explaining your hepatitis C to friends or family? How about to strangers?
- How has hepatitis C affected your homelife?

V. Closing