



The Bridging Project: Strengthening the Community-Based Response to the  
HIV/HCV co-infection epidemic in BC  
November 23 & 24, 2011 - Prince George

**Schedule/Outline**

Day 1 - Treatment Protocols and the Needs of Specific Communities

<b>8:30am – 9:00am</b>	<b>Breakfast/Registration</b>
<b>9:00am – 9:30am</b>	Welcome Territory acknowledgement (Elder Violet Bozoki) Introductions
<b>9:30am – 10:45am</b>	Overview/snapshot for the region – HCV and HIV/HCV Co-Infection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief statistical overview</li> <li>• “Community” overview/assessment – Roundtable discussion</li> </ul>
<b>10:45am – 11:00am</b>	Break
<b>11:00am – 12:00pm</b>	Presentation/Q & A: Current, New, and Emerging Treatments for HCV  Presenter (online): Dr. Eric Yoshida, Professor of Medicine and Head of the Division of Gastroenterology of the University of British Columbia and the Vancouver General Hospital.  Presenter (In-person): Dr. Paul Winwood, Gastroenterologist, Academic Physician, Internal Medicine, University of Northern British Columbia.
<b>12:00pm – 1:00pm</b>	Presentation & Discussion: Accessing Treatment  Presenters: Ilse Kuepper, HCV Nurse and Deb Schmitz, Pacific Hepatitis C Network
<b>1:00pm – 2:00pm</b>	Lunch
<b>2:00pm – 3:00pm</b>	Presentation & Discussion: Sexual Transmission of HCV  Presenter: Hermione Jefferis, Health Promotion Educator, AIDS Vancouver Island
<b>3:00pm – 4:00pm</b>	Presentation & Discussion: Recommendations for Living Well (Nutrition & Wellness)  Presenter: Hermione Jefferis, Health Promotion Educator, AIDS Vancouver Island
<b>4:00pm – 4:15pm</b>	Break
<b>4:15pm – 5:00pm</b>	Facilitated Roundtable discussion - Sharing of Community Best Practices



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	Closing and wrap up for day 1
Day 2 - Support and Service Provision	
<b>8:30am – 9:00am</b>	<b>Breakfast/Registration</b>
<b>9:00am – 9:30am</b>	Welcome back Recap of day one, outline for day two
<b>9:30am – 10:30am</b>	Presentation/Q & A: Disease Progression and Symptom Management: HCV  Presenter: Dr. Abu Hamour, Infectious Diseases Specialist
<b>10:30am - 10:45am</b>	Break
<b>10:45am – 11:45am</b>	Presentation/Q & A: Disease Progression and Symptom Management: HCV/HIV Co-infection  Presenter: Dr. Abu Hamour, Infectious Diseases Specialist
<b>11:45am – 12:45pm</b>	Presentation/Q & A: Harm Reduction Strategies and Best Practices in Community Support/Peer Empowerment  Presenters: Hermione Jefferis, Health Promotion Educator, AIDS Vancouver Island and Linda Keefe, Co-ordinator, Prince George AIDS Prevention Program.
<b>12:45am – 1:45pm</b>	Lunch
<b>1:45pm – 2:45pm</b>	Presentation/Q & A: Hepatitis C Stigma and Discrimination  Presenter: Liza McGuinness, Project Manager, Hepatitis Services, BC Centre for Disease Control
<b>2:45pm – 3:45pm</b>	Facilitated Roundtable discussion – Sharing of community best practices
<b>3:45pm – 4:00pm</b>	Closing and Wrap up