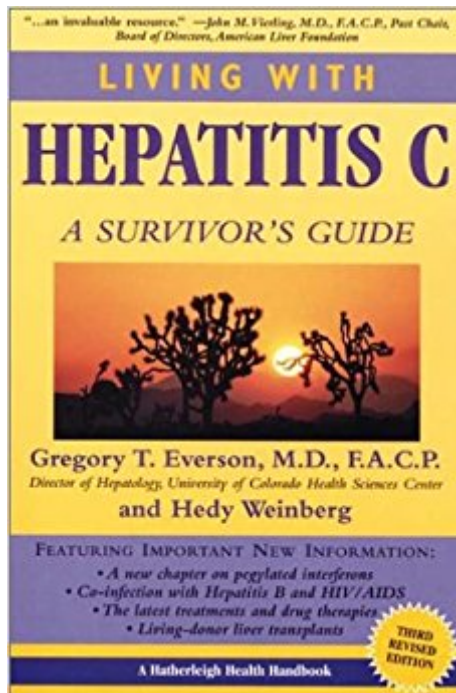




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Living With Hepatitis C: A Survivor's Guide Third Edition



Synopsis

Includes a new chapter on long-acting pegylated interferons; the cutting-edge discovery that is sure to be the next generation of treatment. Since its original publication in 1998, *Living with Hepatitis C: A Survivor's Guide* has become the resource for hundreds of thousands of Americans afflicted with the deadly virus; and for their husbands, wives, families and friends. Unlike other books on the topic, *Living with Hepatitis C* is written by a nationally recognized hepatitis C expert and his patient. So readers everywhere receive the advice and expertise on one of the country's top hepatologists while gaining invaluable insight and guidance from a patient who has been through it all. This newly revised edition reviews the results of the latest clinical trials of long-acting, pegylated interferons in a new chapter. It updates all of the organizations, resources, and information that has changed since the last edition. It offers special chapters on research trends, liver transplants (including living-donor transplants), children, co-infection with HIV/AIDS or hepatitis B, as well as chapters devoted to the nutritional, emotional, and financial challenges that accompany infection with hepatitis C.

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Customer Reviews

A total of 3.9 million people in the United States and more than 170 million worldwide are estimated to have hepatitis C, a viral infection that causes inflammation, injury, and ultimately scarring of the liver. Each year, 8,000 to 10,000 Americans die from liver failure due to hepatitis C--the rest live with

it. Living with Hepatitis C presents the facts simply and positively, and removes the misconceptions. For example, this type of hepatitis is not sexually transmitted--if you have hepatitis C, your partner is in no danger from having sex with you, but might get infected by using your razor. You'll learn how infection takes place (blood to blood), how to keep your loved ones safe, how your liver works when it's well, 10 danger signs of liver disease, nutrition guidelines, emotional challenges, financial issues, treatment options, and research trends. Gregory Everson, Director of Hepatology at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, explains hepatitis C with clarity, optimism, and compassion--and without the "docspeak" common in many health books. Coauthor Hedy Weinberg and other people with hepatitis C tell about their experiences frankly, bringing a personal flavor to this helpful and informative book. --Joan Price --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This comprehensive guide to hepatitis C (there are types A through G) informs us that almost four million Americans (including country singer Naomi Judd) carry this little-known disease, that its prevalence exceeds HIV and Parkinson's disease, that the Centers for Disease Control see it as a virulent, silent disease with no known cure, and that it is usually fatal. Everson, a leading hepatologist and expert in the treatment of this illness, and Weinberg, a writer who contracted hepatitis C from a blood transfusion and who is Everson's patient, explain the disease in everyday language and take the patient step-by-step through the entire process of diagnosis and ongoing care, including liver transplants and financial ramifications, coping, and research trends. An extremely useful title on a subject that deserves greater coverage; recommended for all consumer health collections. [A portion of the book's profits will be donated to the Kern Research Foundation, to be used exclusively for research into a cure.?Ed.]?James Swanton, Harlem Hosp. Lib., New Yor.-?James Swanton, Harlem Hosp. Lib., New YorkCopyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This new, updated version is the most comprehensive book yet on Hepatitis C. It does not show all gloom and doom and is a very positive read. Explanations of tests, symptoms, and side effects are in easy to read and understand language for anyone. The personal views of patients are great, as they validate others who feel the same way. This book is a MUST for anyone with Hepatitis C or anyone with a family member who has the disease. As a Support Group leader, I plan to use this book extensively and to encourage all members to purchase it as well.

Improved my understanding of Hep C without the complications associated with medical terminology.

This book is an excellent resource for anyone diagnosed with Hepatitis C. The American Liver Foundation continues to keep people informed and up to date on new treatment protocols.

This book provides the calm after learning of a positive diagnosis for Hepatitis C. I want to thank Gregory Everson, MD for his timely and very informative book, *Living with Hepatitis C: A survivor's guide*. As a nurse I found the book to be an easy read explaining many complex and difficult medical terms. The book is succinct not filled with a lot of statistics and medical jargon. It is pragmatic in its approach to helping the infected person understand treatment options, their potential effectiveness and financial burdens. It never sugar-coats the reality that this is a potentially fatal disease which is reaching epidemic proportion. The book is very sensitive and non-judgemental regarding the modes for viral transmission. The discussion for the need for more organ donors nationwide is excellent and well presented. I think for those living with this diagnosis it is empowering to read the candid comments from Hedy Weinberg the co-contributor to the book who freely shares her experiences surrounding diagnosis, treatment, and fears. There are many anonymous contributors who also share their experiences and through them the reader sees their own fears and realizes I am not alone, there is HOPE. But I did not read this book as a nurse seeking knowledge. I read it as a woman seeking such hope, for I am a woman learning to love a very courageous man who is learning to live with his Hep C diagnosis. I now know the storm has passed and survival is possible. Read this book, get educated, alleviate your fears, gain hope, advocate for organ donors. Live calmly, live fully.

Living with Hepatitis C by Dr. Gregory T. Everson and Hedy Weinberg is a must have and a must read for the 3.2 million Americans who have been diagnosed with Hepatitis C and family members of those who have tested positive for the virus. Dr. Everson begins with the basics at diagnosis and leads you from the beginning of diagnoses and the steps that those of us will encounter when the virus begins to grow. This book will teach you how to interpret blood tests and what signs to be on the lookout for. This book reaches out and shares the insight of families who have a member who has been infected. Dr. Everson discusses the grieving process and lends the reader of getting financial aid to help defray the costs. Today there are 3.2 million Americans that have been diagnosed with the virus and it is on the border of epidemic proportions. Dr. Everson discusses organ donation and insights of possible research that may lead to early treatment of Hepatitis C. You'll find

that the underlying them is the need for more donor organs. Hats off To Dr.Everson and this book. I wish I had this book when I was first diagnosed with Hepatitis C. Buy the book and become an organ donor. Transplants are the kindness gift of all, the gift of life. Larry Wagner

I have HepC and this is a book you will go back to time and time again as your disease progresses or hopefully not. It will explain the disease in simple terms to understand and help you learn how to talk to your doctor and how to read and understand your lab results. This book is so informative I have read it twice. My disease is progressing so I am now reading what relates to me. This book is a must. I have learned alot about my disease through the internet and etc...but this is all you need. I met Hedy at a hospital information seminar and she is a very brave lady and is coping with this disease and not letting the disease control her. She is a great inspiration to all of us who need encouragement and hope!!! She co-wrote this book to help "us!" She did a great job in my book!!!and in hers.

I was recently diagnosed as having hepatitis c. The immediate effect was shock and disbelief. I was under the mistaken impression that the way a person contracted hep c was by IV drug abuse or a tainted blood transfusion. This threw me for a loop since the only blood I had ever recieved was in 1950 and 1959 and I had never abused any drugs, I had no idea this virus existed back when I had recieved blood. I was afraid to tell my family what I had and therefore had no support. After reading this book not only did I have more information with which to approach my family but an idea of what to expect in my life from here on out. It is seldom one finds an information type book that is written in a way that makes it an easy read but this one falls in that category. Even those in the mid adolescent years would have no problem reading and understanding the information. I have already purchased a copy of this book to give my daughter when I tell her that I have this disease.

This book should be distributed through the doctor's office to everyone diagnosed with hepatitis c. It addresses every question I have on my disease. I have been on intron and/or ribavirin for 5 years. The pleasant picture painted by the video the drug company distributes is not an accurate one. I have five friends with this disease, in addition to one who is living with a transplant and one who died of it several years ago after two transplants. This book is highly recommended by all who read it. So 5 stars from each of us! It made us realize that we are not whiners or exceptions. Pain and discomfort are easier to take when you understand why it is happening and that it's not just happening to you.

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