# Viral hepatitis elimination – Leaving no one behind.

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# About WHA.

The World Hepatitis Alliance (WHA) is an international network of civil society and community organisations that is dedicated to harnessing the power of people living with viral hepatitis to drive its elimination.

410+ members

125 countries

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# Viral hepatitis is a global health emergency.

- 254 million people are living with hepatitis B and 50 million people are living with hepatitis C.
- Hepatitis related deaths increased to 1.3 million in 2022 from 1.1 million in 2019.

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# Reaching the undiagnosed.

The majority of people living with hepatitis don't know they have it.

Only 13.4% of people living with hepatitis B have been diagnosed globally.

Only 36% of people living with hepatitis C have been diagnosed globally.

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# The burden of hepatitis in Africa.

- 63% of the new hepatitis B cases were in the AFRO region in 2022
- Only 4.2% of people living with hepatitis B have been diagnosed.
- 13% of people living with hepatitis C have been diagnosed in the AFRO region, compared to 36% globally.
- 25% of the hepatitis B-related deaths and 16% of the hepatitis C-related deaths were in the AFRO region.

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# WHA's role in increasing diagnosis.

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# Integration with cancer.

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# HCV integration with arm reduction and mental health services.

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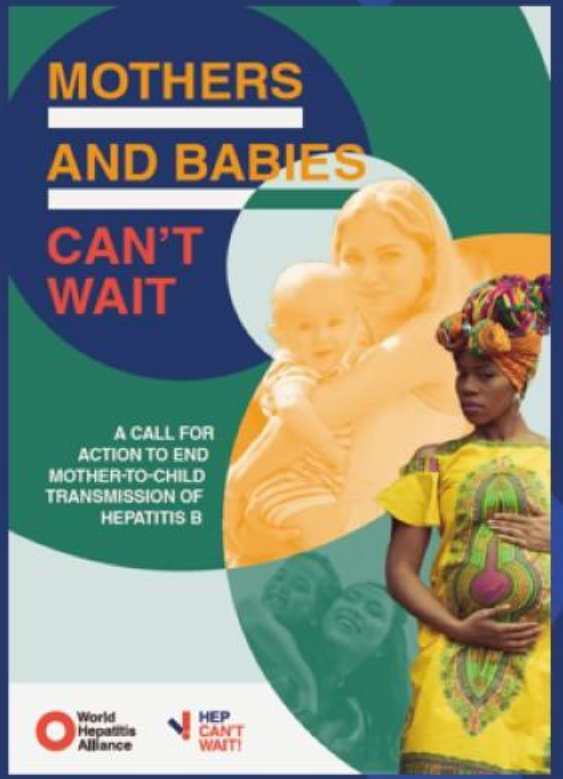
# Triple elimination.

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# In-country programmes/ SafeStart+.

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# Supporting members and countries.

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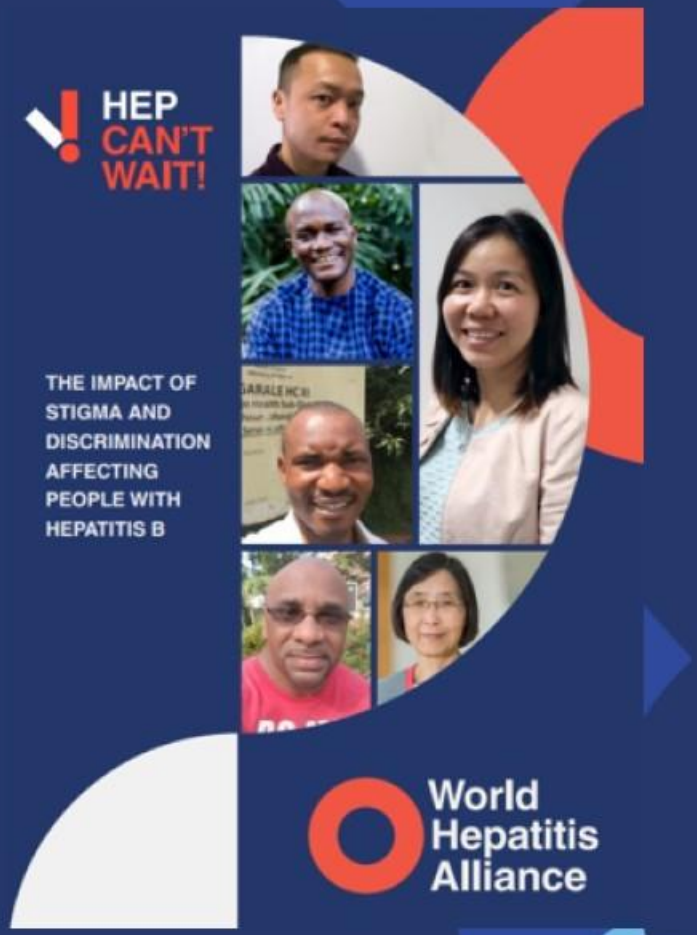
# Fighting stigma.

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# About WHD

Held on July 28 each year, World Hepatitis Day unites the global community to demand action from decision makers to prioritise the elimination of viral hepatitis.

We have everything we need to eliminate viral hepatitis.

Yet more than 300 million people are living with it.

1.3 million people lose their lives to hepatitis each year – and the number is rising.

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# This year's theme.

# Let's break it down.

Let's break down the barriers holding us back from a hepatitis-free world.

Let's break it down so everyone has the knowledge they need about hepatitis testing, treatment and vaccination.

Let's break it down so that decision makers become advocates.

Let's break it down so we can finally end the stigma for people living with hepatitis, and ensure no one is left behind.

Let's break it down so everyone sees that hepatitis elimination is not only possible but achievable.

**Get the facts. Take action.**

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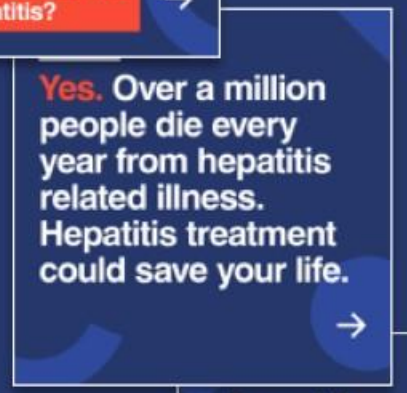
# Resources.

**Download our graphics and explainer videos for use across your social media and networks**



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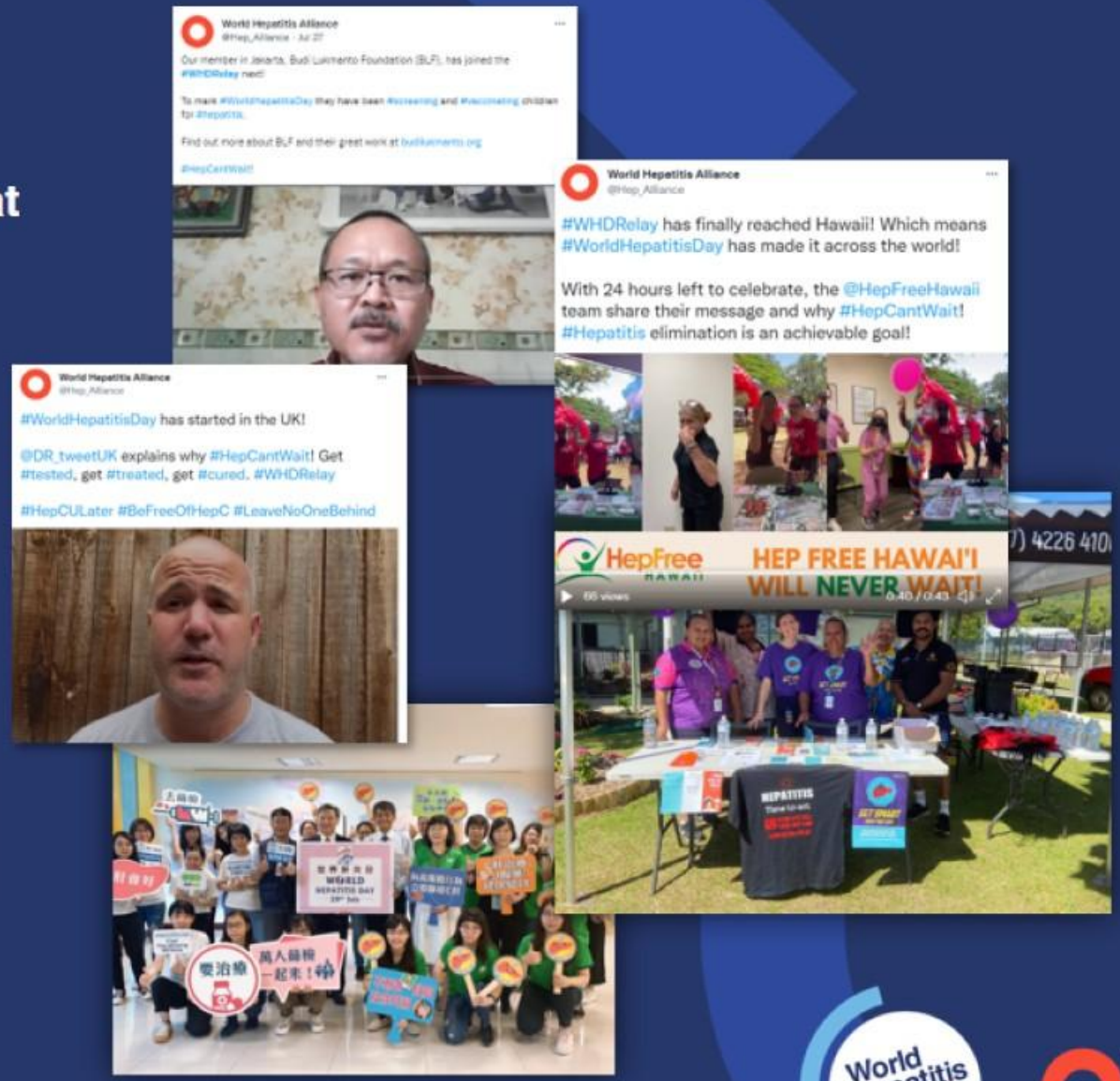
# #WHDRelay

**Join WHA's global virtual relay across our social media channels and tell everyone what World Hepatitis Day means to you.**

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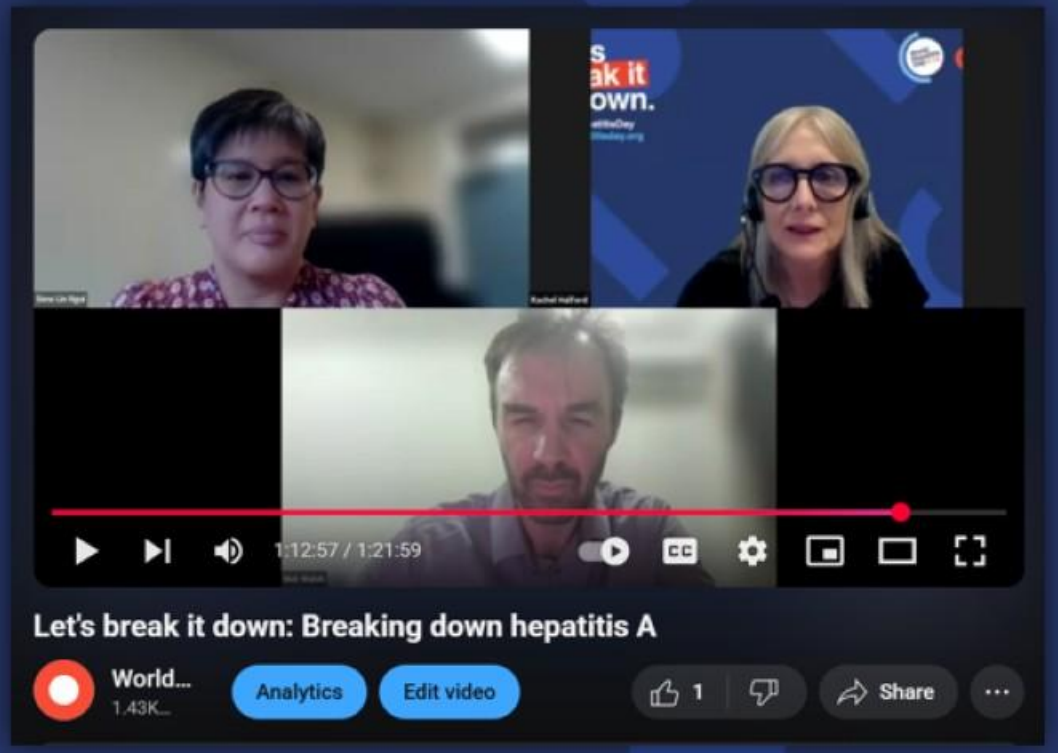
# Join our webinars.

- **25 July – WHA Community Forum** on stigma with perspectives from people living with viral hepatitis
- **28 July – World Health Organization World Hepatitis Day Global Webinar**, co-organised with WHA and Rotary International

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