

SAMPLE
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

Name of Organisation and

1 September 2021 – 31 August 2022

I. GENERAL PURPOSE OF THIS AGREEMENT

The two organizations documented in this memorandum of understanding have agreed to document their commitment to identify, screen and provide services to critically underserved populations in (*name of city*). For this initiative, the targeted populations are: 1) drug users / drug injectors (MSM, heterosexual men, transgendered individuals) who engage in risky behaviors and are not receiving services from medical, health care or community service organizations 2) the partners of these men including key members of social networks, sexual partners, and drug using partners who are also willing to be identified, screened and connected to critical services.

The primary goal of this specific undertaking is to identify, and screen high risk individuals not connected to care for hepatitis C virus. The targeted susceptible individuals are at risk for HCV and STI's (gonorrhoea and Chlamydia, Syphilis, Herpes Simplex ii), depression and substance misuse/abuse, including alcohol abuse.

II. SPECIFIC SERVICES AND DUTIES TO BE PERFORMED

Depending on the susceptible risk population, **Name of Organisation** will provide the following specific activities, HCV testing and counseling; viral hepatitis testing and vaccinations; access to buprenorphine and/or other drug treatment; referral identification and follow-up; navigation of identified clients to medical care services and comprehensive coordination of critical supportive services.

Insert here what the Partnering Organization will provide for this initiative. Must be specific and detailed and consistent with goal of the initiative.

III. GENERAL PRINCIPLES FOR SERVICE DELIVERY AND COORDINATION

Both organizations acknowledge their commitment to the principles highlighted below in serving the targeted populations:

1. We will work together to ensure coordination of referral services to facilitate and track each identified and screened individual;
2. We are working to establish coordinated systems of comprehensive care including coordinated mental health and substance use support and/or treatment for high-risk residents who are not currently connected to primary medical care;
3. We are committed to the development and support of comprehensive care infrastructures that increase access to culturally competent, client-centered (harm reduction-based) care;
4. We support outreach and education within a harm reduction model in order to inform HCV infected individuals about treatment options, mental health and substance abuse treatment;
5. We will provide supportive services to facilitate access to care (e.g. escort or transportation services)
6. Either party may terminate this agreement with 1 month written notice.

IV. LOCATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY: Name of Organisation agrees to provide services associated with this initiative at its offices located at _____

Partner Organization agrees to provide services identified from its offices at _____.

Name of Partner Organization

Name of Partner Organisation

Name, Director

Name, Director

Signature

Signature

Date Executed: _____

