Understanding Hepatitis C

The liver is the largest internal organ and central to people’s health and well-being. Hepatitis C can silently rob this vital organ of its ability to do its job properly. Many people do not know they have this chronic disease because it has few symptoms in its early stages. Those who do develop symptoms may have fatigue, nausea, loss of appetite, or yellowing of the eyes and skin. These can often be overlooked or confused with other conditions. The disease is spread by contact with blood that has been infected with the Hepatitis C virus.

What most people don’t know about Hepatitis C is that there are oral medications that can cure this disease.

What many healthcare providers don’t realize is that liver function tests do not have to be elevated to initiate treatment.

Patients with Hepatitis C can get all the expert care they need in one place – The Hepatology Clinic at Hartford Hospital’s Comprehensive Liver Center.