



**70.10.02 Adult Patient Screening and Vaccination Protocol for Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C**

**70.10.02b Appendix B: Schedule for Routine Blood Testing for Hepatitis B & Hepatitis C Virus Infections**

PATIENT STATUS	INITIAL	MONTHLY	EVERY 6 MONTHS	ANNUALLY
All patients with serum creatinine > 200 umol/L*	HBsAg Anti HBs Anti HCV			
HBV – susceptible (i.e. HBsAb negative not currently undergoing vaccination. Includes nonresponders to previous vaccination)		CDC recommends monthly testing		
HBsAg positive (i.e. infected patients). Refer to hepatology	Cadham Lab will automatically measure antiHBcIgM (elevated in acute infection)		HBsAg & Anti HBs (Once only, if HBsAg is positive then infection is considered chronic)	HBsAg (if HBsAg becomes negative then also test for Anti HBs)
Anti HBs positive ( $\geq$ 10mIU/mL)				Anti HBs
Anti HBs and Anti HBc positive		No further HBV testing needed Refer to hepatology		
Anti HCV negative				Anti-HCV every 12 months (hemodialysis only)
Anti HCV positive		No further testing necessary Refer to hepatology		

\* Results of Hepatitis B & Hepatitis C testing should be known before the patient begins dialysis.