

Guides to manage HBsAg +ve cases in family practice

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Benefits of knowing hepatitis B status would prevent progression to cirrhosis or carcinoma with recent advancement of therapy, reduce transmission and vaccination for non-infected persons. One would consider screening those with abnormal liver function test, those seeking health care, those born in regions of high prevalence of HBsAg (>2%) if unvaccinated or their parents from those regions

