

Hepatitis C Treatment Coverage in Ontario

This document summarizes different hepatitis C treatment reimbursement channels in Ontario. For additional information, visit the [CATIE website](https://www.catie.ca/en/ontario-hepatitis-c-elimination-roadmap) or the [Ontario Hepatitis C Elimination Roadmap website](https://www.ontario.ca/govt/hepatitis-c-elimination-roadmap).

Scenario A: People with OHIP

People with Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program (OW/ODSP):

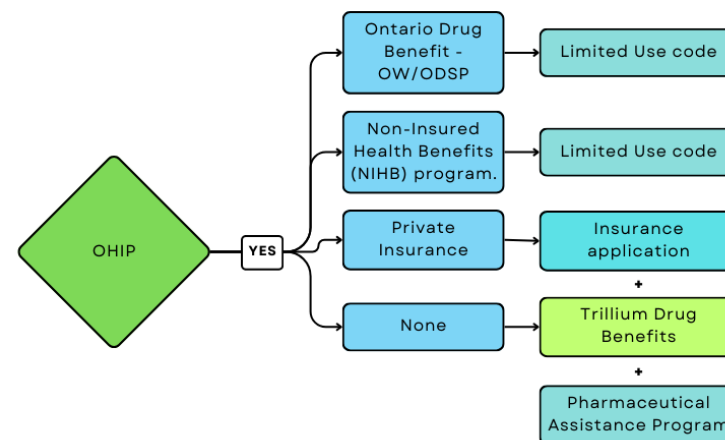
Limited Use Code can be used ([see Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary](#)).

People with Non-insured Health Benefits (NIHB) Program: If the patient is eligible for Ontario Drug Benefit, Limited Use code can be used ([see Ontario Drug Benefit Formulary](#)). Otherwise go through [Non-insured health benefits](#).

People with private insurance:

Go through the private insurance first. If the full cost cannot be covered, [Trillium Drug Benefits](#) and [Pharmaceutical Assistance Program](#) (*see page 2*) are available.

People with none of the above: Submit applications for [Trillium Drug Benefits](#) and [Pharmaceutical Assistance Program](#) (*see page 2*).

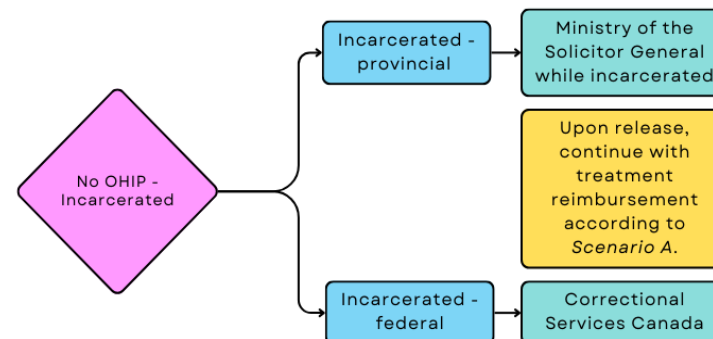


Scenario B: People Who are Incarcerated

People incarcerated in provincial institutions: The Ontario Ministry of the Solicitor General will cover treatment during incarceration and link to community treaters where needed.

People incarcerated in federal institutions: Correctional Services Canada will cover treatment cost during incarceration.

Upon release, continue with treatment coverage according to [Scenario A](#). The Ontario Ministry of the Solicitor General will dispense the medication for the remainder of the month if people have started treatment during incarceration. [Pharmaceutical compassionate access](#) programs can provide bridging medication until coverage is obtained (*see page 2*).



Scenario C: Immigrants and Newcomers

People with visitor visa and temporary workers: No reimbursement available until their status changes.

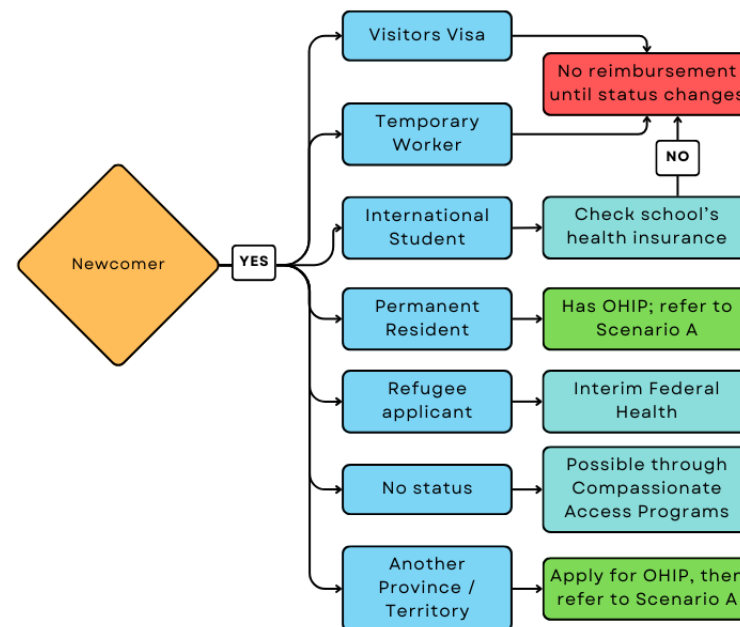
International student: May be covered through school's health insurance, though medication coverage is usually limited. Otherwise, no reimbursement available until their status changes.

Permanent resident: refer to [Scenario A](#) (see page 1).

Refugee applicant: Cost can be covered by [Interim Federal Health Program](#).

People with no status: It is possible that cost can be covered through [pharmaceutical compassionate access](#) programs (see below).

People relocating from another province and territory: Apply for OHIP first and refer to [Scenario A](#) (see page 1).



Pharmaceutical assistance programs

The pharmaceutical companies that make hepatitis C medications have programs to help people access and complete treatment.

AbbVie has the **AbbVie Care Program** for people taking *Maviret* (glecaprevir and pibrentasvir).

Phone: 1-866-872-5773 or visit abbviecare.ca

Gilead Sciences has the **Momentum Hepatitis C Support Program** for people taking *Epclusa* (sofosbuvir and velpatasvir), *Harvoni* (sofosbuvir and ledipasvir), *Sovaldi* (sofosbuvir) or *Vosevi* (sofosbuvir, velpatasvir and voxilaprevir).

Phone: 1-855-447-7977 or visit gilead.ca

Pharmaceutical compassionate access programs

The pharmaceutical companies that make hepatitis C medications may provide medications for patients with no treatment coverage options on a case-by-case basis. Please contact your regional pharmaceutical representative, or contact them via their websites above.