

■ World Digestive Health Day-May 29, 2007



Hep. B. Rally, India

A total of 400 million people are chronically infected with hepatitis B, and about half that number are chronically infected with hepatitis C. Together, these diseases are responsible for the majority of hepatocellular carcinoma cases, the third leading cause of cancer death worldwide. In recognition, WGO will focus worldwide attention on Viral Hepatitis during World Digestive Health Day on May 29, 2007. We encourage all members to organise an event to raise awareness in your community.

» [Read more about WDHD events](#)

Tell us about the WDHD event you have organised, and we will publish it on our website! Please submit all information to: info@worldgastroenterology.org

In May 2007, WGO will provide a free WDHD toolkit to members on the website:

- Ground breaking White Paper on Global Viral Hepatitis (*Dr. D. LaBrecque, Univ. of Iowa*)
- Hepatitis B guideline, written by a team of international experts led by Dr. J. Heathcote
- Compendium of state of the art, freely accessible, "must read", articles about hepatitis
- articles from the special DDW WDHD newspaper, focusing on problems in individual countries and efforts to solve them

Spotlight: Hepatitis in America

The disease burden of chronic hepatitis C among Americans is three to five times that of HIV/AIDS.

An estimated 75% of Americans with hepatitis C have yet to be diagnosed.

■ Visit the WGO Booth at DDW

WGO invites you to visit our booth, number 2549, in the DDW Exhibition Hall.

Please take a moment to stop by the booth in order to:

- **pick up the latest copy of World Gastroenterology News (WGN)**
- **meet WGO's resident librarian, Justus Krabshuis, and discuss research queries**
- **learn more about Train the Trainers 2008**
- **address questions about membership and receive your free WGO pin**
- **make a donation to support WGO Programmes and Courses**
- **win a copy of "Digestive Endoscopy in the Second Millennium" (Prof. F. Vilardell)**

■ World Gastroenterology News - Call for Submissions



Do you have a story idea for World Gastroenterology News (WGN)? A doctor who is working on the frontiers, and whose work deserves to be profiled? Or a scientific article that you think all members should read?

Send ideas to: info@worldgastroenterology.org

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