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## WORLD HEPATITIS DAY PROGRAM

World Hepatitis day on the theme of "Hepatitis Can't Wait" was held in Isra University Hyderabad on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

The Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Nazeer Ashraf Laghari in his message urge the people to get hepatitis B vaccine as every 3 second hepatitis related disease is ending one life in the world. So we can't wait but must act know, so that hepatitis is eliminated from Pakistan by 2030. He further said Isra University Hospital will divert more resources and research for hepatitis patients.

The speaker were Dr. Abdul Rehman Pirzada, Dr. Hussain Bux Kolachi And Dr. Qadir Bux Qadwani, they highlighted the importance of various type of hepatitis basically a liver infection caused by different viruses A,B,C,D,E. Hepatitis A & E spread through a contaminated water and faulty drainage system. While B,C & D spread through blood route or through reproductive process and STDs as well through multiple use of syringes and unsafe blood transfusion practices & ear piercing.

Hepatitis B has vaccine which is given in EPI program to children as well as for adult vaccine is available in Sindh Hepatitis Control programme. While hepatitis C is treated with medicine successfully in three to six months course. Free hepatitis vaccine and screening camp has been started in Isra welfare Hospital EPI room OPD from 28 July 2021 to 28 September 2021.

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