## **Hepatitis C**

	a) jaundice <b>or</b> b) total BIL ≥3.0 <b>or</b> c) ALT >200 IU/L		
	No or Unknown		Yes
HCV Ab(+) only	Chronic, Probable		Acute, Probable
HCV NAT(+) or HCV Ag(+)	Chronic, Confirmed		Acute, Confirmed

## **Acute**

Seroconversion: (-) HCV Ab, HCV Ag, or HCV NAT followed by a (+) of any of these within 12 months (see test conversion table below)= Acute, Confirmed
 Test Conversion within 12 Months Combinations

First Result	Second Result		
(-) HCV Ab	(+) HCV Ab, (+) HCV Ag or (+) HCV NAT		
(-) HCV Ag	(+) HCV Ag or (+) HCV NAT		
(-) HCV NAT	(+) HCV Ag or (+) HCV NAT		

## Chronic:

- (+) HCV Ab, standalone = **Chronic**, **Probable**
- (+) HCV Ab, (+) RNA = Chronic, Confirmed
- (+) HCV Ab, (-) RNA, and no other labs on file or the same results previously = Chronic, Not a Case
- (+) HCV Ab, (-) RNA, and prior (+) RNA from 2019 or earlier, no previous investigation created with the older laboratory results = **Chronic, Not a Case**
- (-) HCV Ab, standalone = Chronic, Not a Case
- (-) HCV RNA, standalone = **Chronic, Not a Case**

## Notes:

The above applies to investigations created in 2020 and going forward, DO NOT change any older investigations that were created in 2019 or earlier to 'Not a Case' to reflect the new case definition if a negative RNA is received. If a positive RNA is received on a chronic, probable investigation, please update to chronic, confirmed.