

## Reply to reviewer comments

We are highly grateful for valuable comments by reviewers. Please find below the reply to reviewer's comments.

### Reviewer 1

This letter to editor concerning the progress and hurdles towards Hepatitis C elimination is a brief well-written article that has a high priority for publication. Due to the current situation caused by the COVID pandemic, which hinders the elimination efforts across the world, we need to highlight the importance of financial investment and more intensive test-and-treat programs to achieve the elimination goals by 2030. I have no further comments and I think the current version is appropriate enough for publication.

Thank you very much for sending very encouraging comments and considering the manuscript appropriate without any improvement.

### Reviewer 2

This letter describes a problem to achieve the elimination of hepatitis B and C. I agree with the opinion of this letter. Minor revisions are needed.

1) Reference number is not necessary in 'core tip'.

Reference number removed as suggested.

2) GHSS should be spelled out in the main text.

GHSS is spelled out completely in the main text as suggested.

3) 'safe Injection' should be changed to 'safe injection'.

Replaced as suggested.

4) 'HBV', 'HCV' and 'COVID-19' should be spelled out in the first appearance of the main text.

Spell out in first appearance as suggested.

5) 'diagnosis and treatment of Hepatitis' should be changed to 'diagnosis and treatment of hepatitis'.

Changed as suggested.

6) Which is correct, HBV vaccination or hepatitis B vaccination?

Hepatitis B vaccination. Modified in text.