



Paying for Pricey Hep C Drugs

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Did you know that many states' AIDS Drugs Assistance Programs (ADAP) pay for more than HIV meds? For HIV-positive people in many states and Puerto Rico, ADAP also covers the standard hepatitis C virus (HCV) drug duo, Pegasys plus ribavirin. If you live in Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, the District of Columbia, Florida, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Utah, Virginia, Washington or Wisconsin, Uncle Sam may fund your HCV meds. (As POZ went to press, none of these states had ADAP waiting lists.) For more information, including which states require preauthorization and how to get hep C coverage if you live in one of the other 25 states, visit atdn.org/access or call 800.734.7104.

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