HEPATITIS B and C

Hepatitis B and C – are you at risk?

- Have you had a blood transfusion or received blood products or an organ transplant prior to 1991 in the UK?
- Were you born in any of these areas? Asia, Africa, South America, Pacific Islands, Eastern Europe, or the Middle East.
- Have you had medical or dental procedures in any of these areas?
- Have you had a tattoo or a piercing in unregistered premises or with possibly unsterile equipment?
- Have you had acupuncture in unregistered premises or with needles that were not new?
- Have you ever injected drugs, including steroids, even once?
- Have you shared notes or straws for snorting cocaine or shared pipes when smoking (crack) cocaine on a regular basis?
- Have you ever pricked yourself on a needle or sharp object that has been used on someone else? This may have been in connection with your job if you work in a healthcare setting.
- Have you had unprotected sex with anyone who is known to have hepatitis B or C or might have been at risk for any of the reasons listed above?
- Have you regularly shared razors or toothbrushes with anyone who is known to have hepatitis B or C or might have been at risk for any of the reasons listed above?
- Have you undertaken contact sports or been in a fight where you may have come in contact with another person’s blood or received a human bite?

If you answer Yes to any of the following, then the pharmacy staff will be happy to carry out a simple blood spot test to screen you for hepatitis B and C.