Decentralization towards elimination
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HEAD-Start: driving HCV elimination in Malaysia

Hepatitis C Elimination through Access to Diagnostics (HEAD-Start) addresses both technology and implementation gaps

### Simplification

- Malaysia

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Saving lives, reducing health system costs

- Over 7,000 life-years saved
- US$1.2 million saving to the Malaysian health system
  - Risk-based screening vs general screening generates high yield and reduces cost to find 1 positive case from >$40 to <$7

15,413 people screened
2,064 identified for confirmatory testing
75% received confirmatory testing
75% linked to treatment
Evidence and experience from HEAD-Start helped form the basis of MOH implementing decentralized HCV care cascade in all PHC sites beginning January 2020.

Decentralization of HCV care cascade requires continuous efforts and multipronged strategy working with different arms within the healthy ministry - primary care, public health, specialists and pharmaceutical division.
Thank you!

Our HEAD- Start partners and collaborators:
FIND would like to express thanks to all people who participated in our studies

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