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HEPATITIS B AND C VIRAL INFECTION AND ITS EPIDEMIOLOGY IS A ACEDEMIC CHALLENGE

INCIDENCES ARE VARIABLE IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF WORLD
• VIRUSES ARE TRANSMITTED THROUGH BLOOD OF INFECTED PERSON

• FAULTY unsafe INJECTION PRACTISES
• SURGICAL and medical instruments
• CONTAMINATED NEEDLES
• BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS
• TATTOOS AND BODY PIERCING equipments
• SEXUAL AND DRUG ABUSES
• unscreened blood and blood products

MOTHER TO CHILD
- CLINICAL PRESENTATION;

- RANGE FROM MILD ILLNESS to
- CHRONIC HEPATITIS,
- AND CANCER
- LEAD TO HEPATIC FAILURE
• TATTOOING AND BODY PIERCING PRACTISES ARE PREVELENT IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF WORLD WITH VARIATION IN TYPE, MODE, SOCIAL, FAITH AND BELIEFES FOR MANY GENERATIONS.

• MORE PREVELENT IN FEMALE POPULATION IN TRIBALS AS BEAUTY RITUAL

• MAINLY PART OF GLAMOUR AND BEAUTY, CHARM, LOVE, MAJIK, WELFARE, IDENTITY, EVIL PROTECTION AND GODS OWN FEELINGS
TATTOOING PRACTICES IN SOME TRIBAL COMMUNITIES OF RAJASTHAN, INDIA
BHEEL
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GARACIA
TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING

• USE OF HERBAL, CHEMICAL INK
• NEEDLES AND THRONES
• WITHOUT INFECTION CONTROL MEASURES
• LACK OF MEDICAL FACILITY
• CONTAMINATED SKIN LESIONS AND DRESSINGS
• Hepatitis B vaccines are well taken because of national immunisation program

• Which results in few new cases of hepatitis B in the communities

• But

• There are possibility of acquiring hepatitis C and other infection as there is lack of

• Awareness about mode of transmission in the local tattoo masters,
• ACCORDING TO CDC
• INCIDENCES OF HEPATITIS C INCREASE IN CASES OF POOR CONTROL OF INFECTION DURING
• FAULTY TATTOOING OR BODY PIERCING PRACTICES
- IT IS ALSO POSTULATED THAT
- PREVELANCE OF
- HEPATITIS C
- INCREASES IN
- PEOPLE WITH FAULTY TATTOO AND BODY PIERECING PRACTICES
- HEPATITIS A, B VACCINES ARE AVAILABLE
- WELL TAKEN BY COMMUNITY

- BUT HEPATITIS C VACCINE IS IN PIPE LINE
- OUR COMMENTS;

- COMMUNITY LEVEL PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO BE TAKEN

- HEALTH EDUCATION, SCHOOL HEALTH
- HEALTH SERVICES
- EPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDIES
- LICENCEING OF TATTOO MASTERS
- SCREENING OF HEPATITIS B AND C VIRUSES PREVELANCE IN COMMUNITY
• UNIVERSAL TATTOO AND BODY PIERCING PRACTICES MANUAL MAY BE ADOPTED

• MORE STUDIES
THANKS