2020 Hepatitis C Case Classification Table

Updated classification rules to be applied in cases reported on 01/01/2020 and thereafter.	One or more of the following: Jaundice, OR Total bilirubin levels ≥3.0 mg/dL, OR ALT >200 IU/L, AND the absence of a more likely diagnosis AND age >36 months¹ No OR Unknown Yes	
HCV Antibody Positive² AND HCV Nucleic Acid Test Unknown OR HCV Antigen Test Unknown	Probable, Chronic	Probable, Acute
HCV Nucleic Acid Test Positive ³ OR HCV Antigen Test Positive	Confirmed, Chronic	Confirmed, Acute ⁴
HCV Nucleic Acid Test Negative	Not a Case	Not a case

¹All HCV cases should be >36 months of age, unless known to have been exposed non-perinatally.

²Any antibody result, regardless of the signal-to-cutoff ratio; includes rapid tests

³Nucleic Acid Tests for HCV include Quantitative HCV RNA tests, Qualitative HCV RNA tests, and HCV Genotype tests

⁴Automatically classify as Confirmed, Acute for a seroconversion if a negative HCV lab test is followed within 12 months by a positive HCV lab test, in the absence of a more likely diagnosis

^{*} If evidence indicating resolution of infection is received within the calendar year of a case being reported, the case status should be changed to "not a case."