QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

THE Health Foundation - Pakistan

Hepatitis Free Community Project
RASHIDABAD

Project Details

Reporting Period	April – June 2022
Donor	CSAP Foundation Crescent Steel & Allied Products Limited
Country	Pakistan
Project Title	Hepatitis Free Community Project
Implementing Partner(s)	The Health Foundation
Project Start Date	1-Jul-2016
Project End Date	1-Jul-2024
Total resources required	Human Resource, Admin, and Treatment Support
Financial Support Amount	Crescent Steel & Allied Products Limited did not support in 2021-2022
Financial Support Type	• Donation for HFCP
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Executive summary

Rashidabad is a city built by Rashid Welfare Organization (RWO) situated on the Hyderabad-Mirpurkhas Road near Tando Allahyar, over 86 acres of land. The project started on 13th December 1998 with an aim to alleviate poverty and spread education in that area.

During the screening of 649 individuals working in Rashidabad it came to be known that 64 people were Hepatitis C positive, 12 people positive for Hepatitis B, and 4 had both B and C. The tests were done by strip test.

The figure comes out to be 10.14% of people positive for Hepatitis C and 1.8 % of people positive for Hepatitis B.

RWO approached The Health Foundation with the above figures and wants THF to operate from Rashidabad catering to the Hepatitis B/C patients of target villages.

There are other organizations operating in Rashidabad such as TCF School, LRBT, and Shahnaz Ghani Hospital. Fatimid Foundation, Infaq Foundation, etc. All the organizations work independently with only social interaction at all levels, with each other and RWO.

Project: Hepatitis Free Community Project, Rashidabad
Target population: 36,000
Socio-economic status: lower income group.

I. Project Overview

The Health Foundation with this project would be taking a step up the ladder towards its goal in making a significant difference in decreasing the prevalence of Hepatitis B/C. It envisions a community-based intervention, linked to a Hepatitis center at Rashidabad, which would carry out this mission for a preselected population, through its well-run and established programs integrated at one point, linking up the community and the services of the THF Hepatitis Centre. The beneficiaries, in this case, would be the community of villages in UC where Rashidabad project exists

II. Purpose

We have established a successful Community-based Hepatitis Free Community Model in highly prevalent area of Tando Allahyar where the population have accessed free treatment, screening, and immunization against Hepatitis B. Vision of THF is to eliminate Hepatitis from High prevalent areas of Tando Allahyar

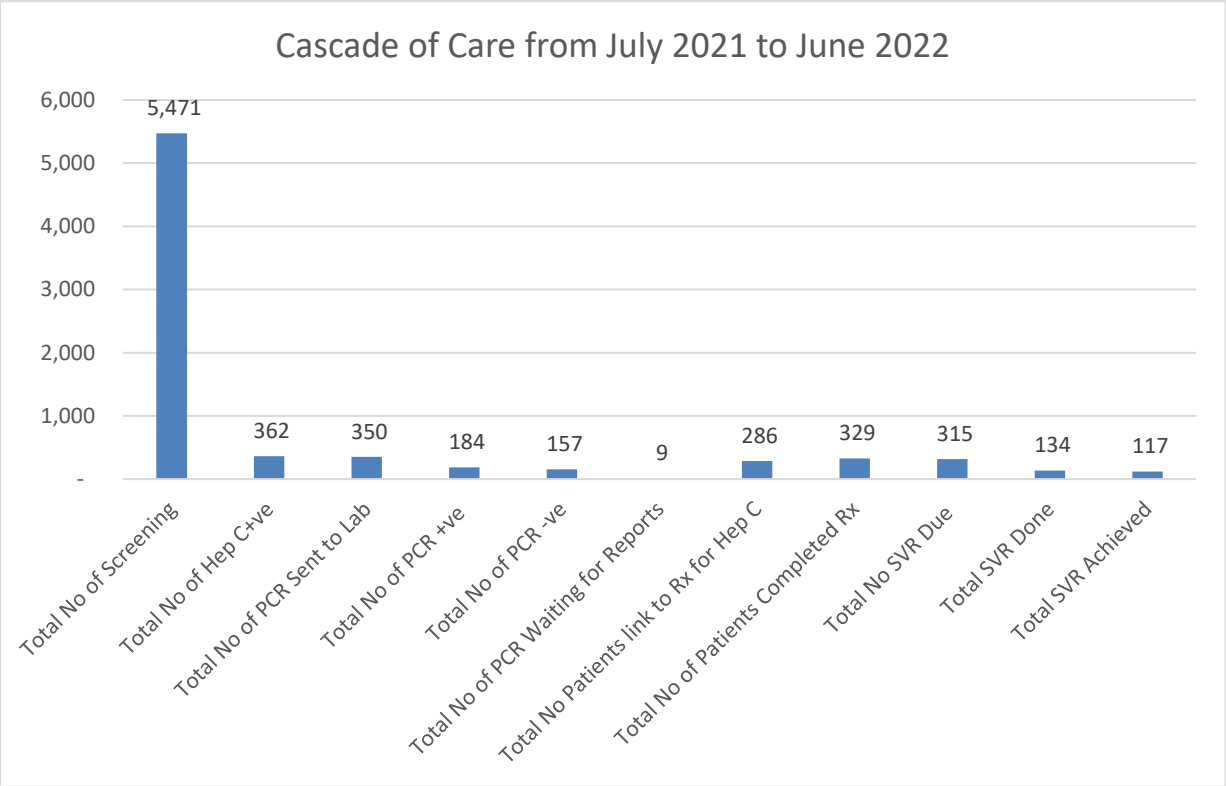
iv. Objective

- Reach 90% of the population for awareness and sensitization
- Cover 85% of the population for Hep B Immunization
- Treat all the Hep B & Hep C patients in the specified working area

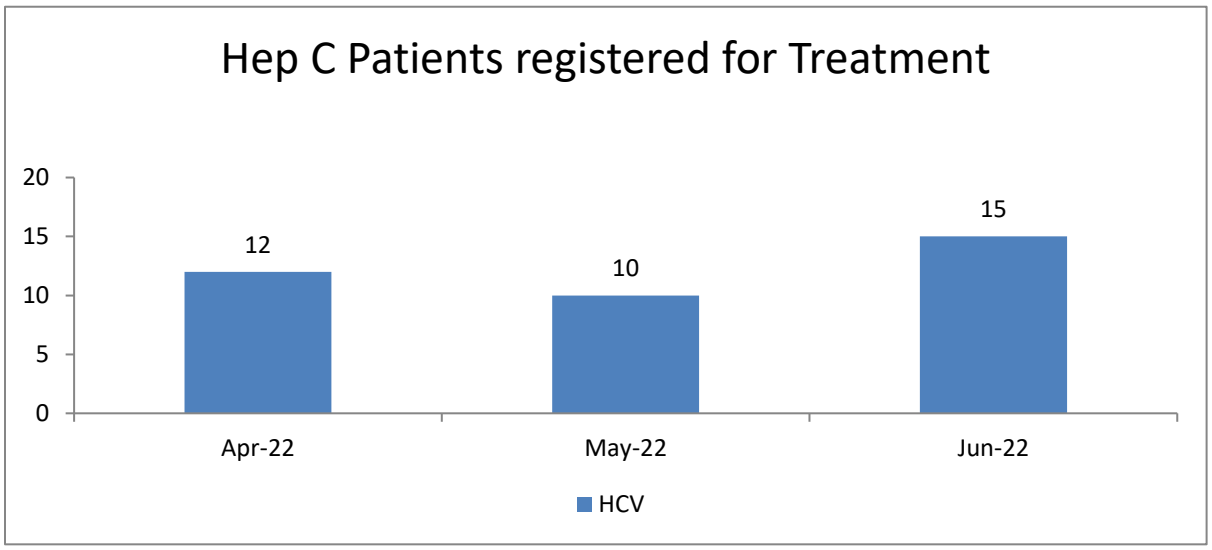
V. Progress

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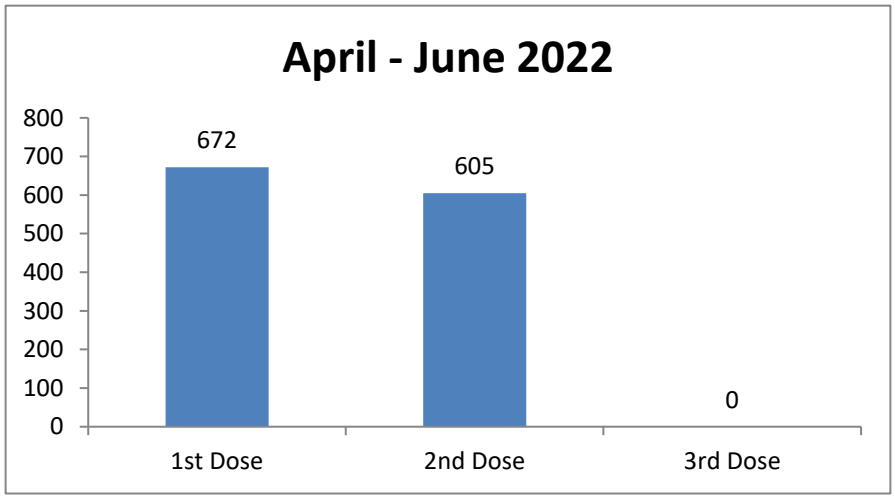
Total Patients of HCV Register 286



Quarter 4 Patients Registration of Hep C 37:



Quarter 4 Hep B Vaccination:



Initiative: We have started screening Hep B vaccine for the families of Hep C Patients

VI. Project Issues

- Screening and vaccination activity has been halted in the New UC due to budget constraints. However, the registration of Hepatitis patients is ongoing
- Treatment and Laboratory Tests costs are on the higher side so regular support is required in order to provide free of cost treatment to the non-affording patients

VII. Conclusions and Way Forward

- A lot of work needs to be done in the community so we require continuous support to reach the unreached and underprivileged