

**Update \_2\_0\_141**

Clinical Reminders

VA-Hepatitis C Reminder Updates

Install Guide

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# Introduction

DESCRIPTION:

VA recommends a Hepatitis C virus (HCV) testing for all patients ages 18-79 and anyone at risk for infection, including patients born between 1945-1965.

The update in this release changes the testing reminder to include all patients ages 18-79 even if no risk is identified.  Patients ages 80 and older are included if they have an identified risk or if serology was done without a viral load (testing is incomplete).

Since screening for risk is no longer part of the decision making when considering whether a person should have an initial screening serology done, the VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN reminder is being inactivated.

UPDATE\_2\_0\_141 contains 1 Reminder Exchange entry:

**UPDATE\_2\_0\_141 VA-Hepatitis C Reminder Updates**

**The exchange file contains the following components:**

**TIU TEMPLATE FIELD**

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VA-HEP C NCP GUIDANCE STATEMENT

**HEALTH FACTORS**

VA-REMINDER UPDATES

VA-UPDATE\_2\_0\_141

HEPATITIS C

PREVIOUS NEGATIVE HCV RNA

PREVIOUS POSITIVE HCV RNA

DECLINED HEP C TESTING

HEP C TESTING DEFERRED

HEP C TESTING NOT INDICATED

REMINDER FACTORS

LIFE EXPECTANCY < 6 MONTHS

PREVIOUS POSITIVE ANTI-HCV

PREVIOUS NEGATIVE ANTI-HCV

PREV NEGATIVE TEST FOR HEP C

PREV POSITIVE TEST FOR HEP C

HEP C RISK

HCV RISK: INCARCERATION

HCV RISK: BORN TO HCV+ MOTHER

HCV RISK: HX OF ALCOHOL HEP/ABUSE/DEPEND

HCV RISK: UNEXPL LIVER DZ/ABN LIVER FX

HCV RISK: HEMOPHILIA/CLOTTING FACTOR

HCV RISK: HIV INFECTION

HCV RISK: SEXUAL HCV EXPOSURE

HCV RISK: 20/> LIFETIME SEXUAL PARTNERS

HCV RISK: INTRANASAL DRUG USER

HCV RISK: TATTOO/PIERCING

HCV RISK: NEEDLE\MUCOSAL EXPOSURE

HCV RISK: VIETNAM-ERA VETERAN

HCV RISK: HEMODIALYSIS

HCV RISK: BLOOD/ORGAN TX PRIOR TO 1992

HCV RISK: INTRAVENOUS DRUG USE

RISK FACTOR FOR HEPATITIS C

DECLINED HEP C RISK SCREEN

NO RISK FACTORS FOR HEP C

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**REMINDER TAXONOMY**

VA-TERMINAL CANCER PATIENTS

VA-DRUG ABUSE FOR HCV TESTING

VA-HIV INFECTION

VA-ALCOHOL ABUSE

VA-HEPATITIS C SEROPOSITIVE

**REMINDER TERM**

VA-REMINDER UPDATE\_2\_0\_141

VA-HEP C VIRUS ANTIBODY POSITIVE

VA-HEP C RNA

VA-HEP C TESTING DEFERRED

VA-TERMINAL CANCER PATIENT

VA-LIFE EXPECTANCY < 6 MONTHS

VA-HEP C LAB TESTS ORDERED

VA-HEP C TESTING NOT INDICATED

VA-DECLINED HEP C TESTING

VA-HEP C OUTSIDE RESULTS

VA-RISK FACTOR FOR HEPATITIS C

VA-HEP C VIRUS ANTIBODY NEGATIVE

VA-HEPATITIS C SEROPOSITIVE

VA-DECLINED HEP C RISK SCREEN

VA-NO RISK FACTORS FOR HEP C

**REMINDER DEFINITION**

VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING

VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN

**REMINDER DIALOG**

VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING

VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN

# Pre-Install

1. Do a reminder inquiry for the reminder definition VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING and save this as a reference for post installation. **If you follow the install guide instructions closely, no mapping should be necessary post-install.**
2. Check the dialog elements VA-HEP C TESTING ORDER HCV RNA and VA-HEP C TESTING ORDER ANTI-HCV for a quick order finding item for the Hep C lab tests and record those entries so it can be re-entered after installation.

# Install Details

This update is being distributed as a mailman message. you will have a vista mail message with subject of UPDATE 141.

Installation:

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This update can be loaded with users on the system. Installation will take less than 10 minutes.

# Install Example

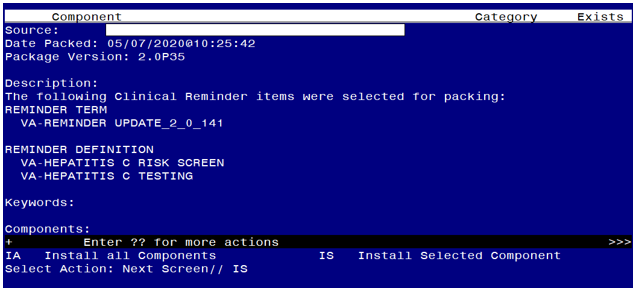
To load the mailman message. Navigate to reminder exchange in Vista, choose load mailman message, you should load the mailman message labeled UPDATE 141.

You should see a message at the top of your screen that the file successfully loaded.

Search and locate an entry titled **UPDATE\_2\_0\_141 VA-HEPATITIS C REMINDER UPDATES** in Screen shot of the terminal window with IFE for the Select Action for Install Exchange File Entry and a red arrow pointing at the correct name of the Reminder Exchange File entry and the number of that entry entered at the "Enter a list or range of numbers" Prompt.  This number varies by site.
 reminder exchange.

At the **Select Action** prompt, enter **IFE** for Install Exchange File Entry

Enter the number that corresponds with your entry UPDATE\_2\_0\_141 VA-HEPATITIS C REMINDER UPDATES *(in this example it is entry 161 it will vary by site).* The date of the exchange file should be 05/07/2020.



You should **NOT CHOOSE TO INSTALL ALL**, instead, you will install ***only selected components.***

The components that you need to install are the following:

**REMINDER DEFINITION**

**61 VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING X**

**62 VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN X**

**REMINDER DIALOG**

**63 VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING X**

*Review your exchange file and confirm the numbers (61-63) match the example above*

At the **Select Action** prompt, type **IS** for Install SELECTED Components

Select Action: Next Screen// Select Action: Quit// **IS Install Selected Component**

Select Component(s): (1-64): 61-63

REMINDER DEFINITION entry named VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING already exists

but the packed component is different, what do you want to do?

Select one of the following:

C Create a new entry by copying to a new name

O Overwrite the current entry

U Update

Q Quit the install

S Skip, do not install this entry

Enter response: O// verwrite the current entry

Are you sure you want to overwrite? N// YES  
REMINDER DEFINITION entry named VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN already

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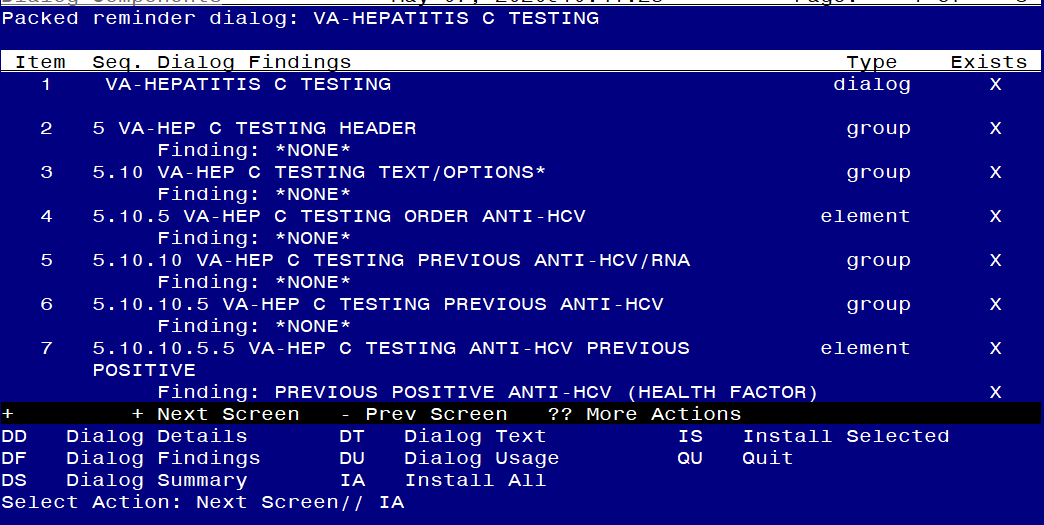
Q Quit the install

S Skip, do not install this entry

Enter response: O// verwrite the current entry

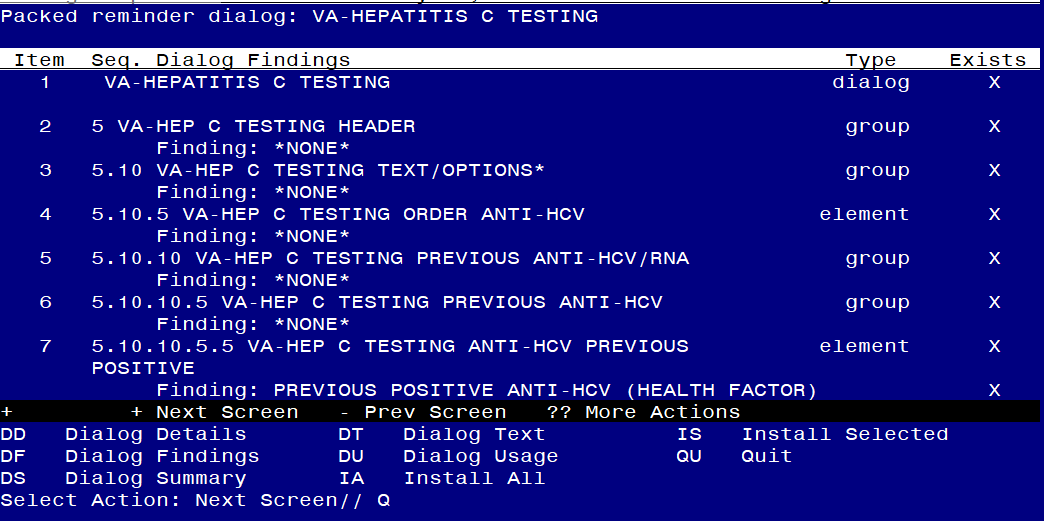
Are you sure you want to overwrite? N// YES

**You will be promped to install the reminder dialog component – You will choose to install all even though some components may have an X to indicate that they exist.**

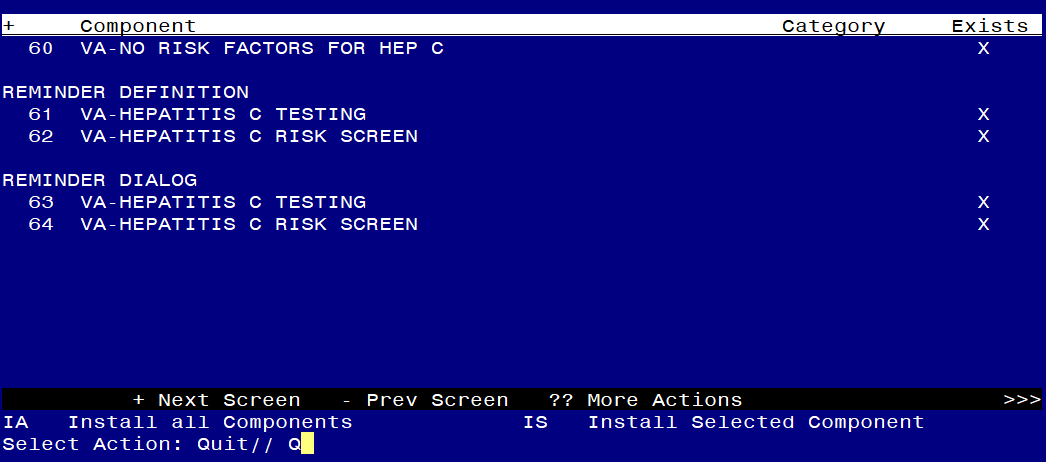


At the **Select Action** prompt, type **IA** to install the dialog – **VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING** Select Action: Next Screen// IA Install All

Install reminder dialog and all components with no further changes: Y// Yes



After completing this dialog install, you will type Q.

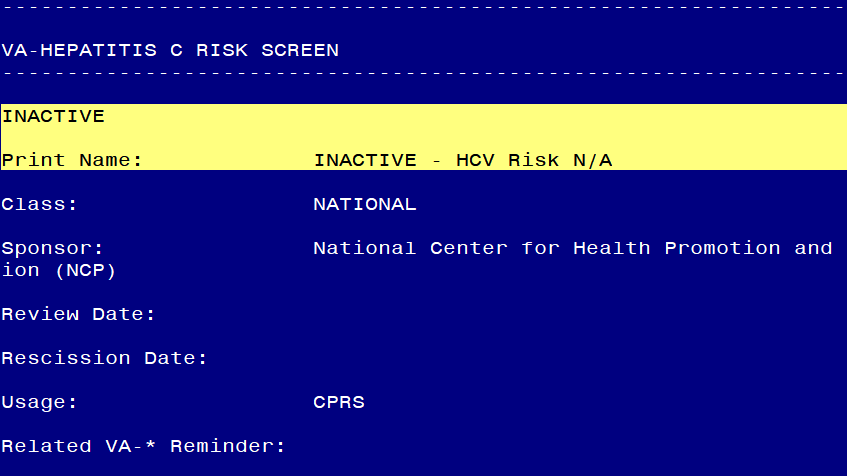


You will then be returned to this screen. At the **Select Action** prompt, type **Q.**

Install complete.

# Post Installation

1. Check the mapping of the reminder terms in the reminder definition VA-HEPATITIS C TESTING by comparing the reminder inquiry that was saved prior to installation with a reminder inquiry post-install. If you installed following the install guide, no mapping should be necessary.
2. Review the reminder definition VA-HEPATITIS C RISK SCREEN and confirm that the definition is shows inactive and the print name starts with INACTIVE:



1. Add the quick orders identified in the pre-install for your local Hepatitis C lab tests to dialog elements VA-HEP C TESTING ORDER ANTI-HCV and VA-HEP C TESTING ORDER HCV RNA as a finding.
2. Open the reminder dialog associated with the hepatis C testing reminder and confirm that the recommendation for testing patients age 18-79 displays at the top :

