

Kidney Disease (MPGN)

EASY C FACTS

There is a certain kidney disease that is caused by hepatitis C (HCV for short). The initials are MPGN and it happens when the HCV particles of viruses and antibodies are stuck in the kidneys. The kidneys filter out waste from the blood. Over time these particles can damage the kidneys, but this doesn't happen very often. In people who have MPGN only 10 out of 100 people have serious kidney problems. Your doctor or nurse can test to find out how well your kidneys are working. Treatment of MPGN in someone with hepatitis C is to treat HCV. The other way to treat MPGN is to filter the blood. It can also be treated with certain drugs. One of the best ways to protect your kidneys is to control your blood pressure.

Remember:

- ◆ MPGN is a kidney disease
- ◆ HCV can cause Cryo that can cause MPGN
- ◆ Treatment of HCV can help, prevent or cure Cryo and MPGN
- ◆ Treatment of MPGN can help to relieve the symptoms
- ◆ Don't forget to have any symptoms or conditions recorded in your medical records
- ◆ If you can't afford the medications to treat HCV check out our fact sheet: [Patient Assistance Programs](#)

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