



ANNUAL REPORT 2025–2026

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Acknowledgement of Country

LiverWELL is based on the lands of the Woi-Wurrung Wurundjeri People of the Kulin Nation. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of all the lands on which our team works and travels and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

LiverWELL observes and honours the Kulin Nation's intrinsic connection to land, sky and water, and the creator Bunjil. LiverWELL is committed to being led and informed by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders on bridging health outcomes for communities and improving liver health.



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Liver Health For All

**Supporting Australians
to improve
their liver health.**

HEPLIN
AUSTRALIA

Ask me
about
hepatitis!

**ELECTRONIC
DARTBOARD**

AUTOSCORING DISPLAY •
INCLUDES 6 SOFT TIP DARTS •
SOUND & SOUND EFFECTS •
16 BUILT IN GAMES •
UP TO 6 PLAYERS •

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DID YOU KNOW?



64,000 people
in Victoria are living with
hepatitis B



**More than
10,000 people**
in Victoria are living with
hepatitis C



1 in 3 Australians
are living with Metabolic
dysfunction-associated
steatotic liver disease
(MASLD)

OUR VISION:

Liver Health for All

OUR MISSION:

**To prevent and reduce the impact of
liver disease, including viral hepatitis,
and to combat stigma.**

PRESIDENT & CEO REPORT

We are pleased to share with you our 2026 Annual Report.

It has been a significant year of change and growth, as we have expanded our reach and strengthened our commitment to Liver Health for All. Thank you to everyone who has been involved and particularly to those with lived and living experience – you are the reason we are here.

Joining us in our vision to ensure Liver Health for All, we were delighted to welcome Melanie Carew as LiverWELL CEO in December 2025. Melanie has brought her significant skills and experience to our treasured organisation and built on the many strengths of LiverWELL and of our community and partners. We thank former President Maria Marshall who stepped down from the role in October 2025, for her dedicated leadership and service over her five years in the role. We also thank outgoing board members Shane Patella and Jawid Sayed.

Continuing on the theme of change, in December 2025 we moved into our new offices at Our Community House in North Melbourne. We have received such a warm welcome, and being co-located with the Australian Institute of Company Directors and other not-for-profit organisations has strengthened our shared commitment to what it means to be a community organisation.

Over the past year, we have continued to lead and deliver initiatives as part of our collective focus on hepatitis. We extend our sincere thanks to the Victorian Department of Health for its ongoing commitment and support. Our community engagement events continue to raise awareness and encourage community action. This year we reached more than 33,000 community members directly through events, with typical evaluations of the event showing that more than 80% intend to speak to their doctor about hepatitis. We amplify this impact through our strong use of digital, social media and targeted communications.

Our Community Activators are an excellent example of how we work in close consultation and partnership with communities across metropolitan and regional Victoria. This year, they delivered co-designed workshops in English, Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese and other languages, providing culturally appropriate information about testing, managing and treating viral hepatitis.

We extend our sincere thanks to our Community Activators for their invaluable contribution, and to our Lived Experience Advisory Committee, who continue to drive change, reduce stigma and help shape the future of liver health in Australia. Lived experience is at the heart of LiverWELL, and we could not do this work without the voices, knowledge and leadership of people with lived experience.

We're pleased that commitment to elimination of viral hepatitis as a public health threat continues to receive bipartisan support in Victoria. Our 'Make Vic Hep Free' campaign delivered in conjunction with sector partners saw 22 Members of Victorian Parliament sign the pledge to 'Make Vic Hep Free'. In doing so, they have given their commitment to stand with people living with hepatitis B and hepatitis C and support more accessible treatment and care locally. We look forward to continuing to work with each of them towards impact for their communities.

At a national level, this year has seen the launch of the Australian Centre for Disease Control and we were privileged to have Professor Zoe Wainer, Director General launch the National Hepatitis B and C Reports in Canberra in March. In May, convened by Hepatitis Australia, LiverWELL joined with other state peak bodies for a strategy day to work together and leverage resources and activity to support the community.

In addition to our work in hepatitis, as part of our remit in Liver Health for All, we built on our inclusion of being the Australian lead in the People First Liver Charter and focus on making MASLD (Metabolic Associated Steatotic Liver Disease) an Australian public health priority. Our MASLD action network's advocacy efforts called for Australia to say 'yes' to global efforts to recognise the impact of this condition. We were very pleased to subsequently welcome the passing of the World Health Organisation Executive Board's draft to include MASLD as part of the global non-communicable disease response and the support of Australia's Ambassador for Global Health. We look forward to continued action to benefit people living with MASLD.

All of the achievements that you'll read about in our annual report would not be possible without our dedicated and talented team, and our broader community of volunteers and supporters.

Our LiverWELL commitment to you as we go into the 2026/27 year is to continue to build on our work with you, the community. It's not just what we do but also the how and the emphasis on respect, inclusion, collaboration and impact as we collectively raise awareness and take action on liver disease. In doing this we ensure everyone feels supported and that they belong. That's what community is all about.

Siân Slade
Board President



Melanie Carew
Chief Executive Officer



OUR BOARD



Front row, left to right: Deborah Jenkins, Siân Slade, Daphne Sawlwin. Back row, left to right: Darren O'Connor Price, Paul Gow, Sharon Bates.

Siân Slade – President

Daphne Sawlwin – Vice President

Darren O'Connor Price – Treasurer

Paul Gow – Director

Sharon Bates – Director

Deborah Jenkins – Director

OUR TEAM



Melanie Carew
Chief Executive Officer



Radhika Krishnan
Health Promotion Manager



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Project Manager, Liver Health



Alicia Stafford
Communications and
Engagement Manager



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Partnership Lead



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Community Engagement Lead



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Health Promotion Officer



Maddie Bolton
Health Promotion Officer



Alain Palines
Health Promotion Officer



Callum Hensman
HepLink Program Officer



Jon Kok
Workforce Development
and Research Officer



Amber Ryder
Digital Communications Officer



**Our work spans
prevention, community
engagement, advocacy,
education and support.**

With thanks to past team members Elaine Montegriffo (CEO), Paul Bowers (Interim CEO), Nicoletta Burrows, Dennis Chew, Tepy Hoeung, Fang Liu and Rohini Padey.

THE CONVERSATION CONTINUES: “LIVER HEALTH FOR ALL”



LEAC members Andree Dolby and Mei Mak pictured with LiverWELL staff.

Engaging with lived experience has always been part of how we've done things at LiverWELL. We formed in 1992, when small groups of people living with hepatitis C gathered to provide support and information to each other. The work they undertook in advocacy, collaboration and awareness continues to inspire us.

In 2011, our interactions with community members and people living with hepatitis B informed our decision to broaden our commitment and our organisation became known as Hepatitis Victoria. The value of embedding lived experience in our organisation continued, and in 2013 we adopted our first Participation Framework including how we worked collaboratively with public speakers, HepHeroes and advocates.

In 2016, the World Health Organization set the global target to eliminate viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030. The Victorian Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C strategies were launched. By this stage, we had been working alongside our communities toward hepatitis elimination for over 24 years!

Again, responding to community need and the views of people with lived experience of liver conditions, in 2017 our organisation expanded our remit and became LiverWELL. Our mission is to prevent and reduce the impact of all liver diseases, including viral hepatitis, and to combat stigma.

In 2023, LiverWELL established its Lived Experience Advisory Committee (LEAC). This created a dedicated forum for people affected by liver disease to provide strategic advice, challenge stigma and help shape our work.

Throughout this report, you'll find quotes, thoughts and perspectives of people living with liver conditions. Our work has benefited from lived experience involvement for over 34 years now. We thank our advocates past and present for their work towards Liver Health for All.

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I was able to share my personal story about living with hepatitis B and my experiences to help the audience better understand the condition, dispel misconceptions, and gain practical knowledge to protect themselves and their families.

– Tuan, LiverWELL Lived Experience Speaker

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Special thanks to the individuals who provide their experience to the LEAC on a voluntary basis.

**Andree Dolby
David Fry
Christopher Kee
Jane Little
Mei Mak
Tuan Nguyen
Mandy Ritchie
Steven Taylor**



OUR REACH



99

Community Awareness
Events



22

HepLink Outreach
Sessions



70

Workforce members
participated in our
regional sessions



22

Victorian MPs signed our
'Make Vic Hep Free'
pledge



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Landmark global resolution
made on liver health



100%

Satisfaction by
LiverLine callers



2,356

HEPChat eNews
subscribers



6,750

Social media followers



123,000

Website views



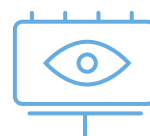
76,500

Website active users



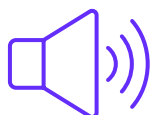
157,000

World Hepatitis Day 2026
socials views



122,000

World Hepatitis Day
Billboards reach



37,000

World Hepatitis Day LiSTNR
ads reach



340

World Hepatitis Day
community event
participants

COMMUNITY ACTIVATORS

Our Community Activators are valued collaborators who work with community across both metropolitan and regional Victoria. They help ensure people receive accurate information about viral hepatitis through culturally appropriate approaches that reflect the needs and experiences of their communities. This year they delivered eight co-designed community education sessions in multiple languages including English, Mandarin, Cantonese and Vietnamese. Their work continues to strengthen LiverWELL's connections with diverse communities while supporting greater awareness, understanding and engagement with liver health.

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Participants appreciated the culturally safe and welcoming environment, which encouraged active participation, open discussion, and sharing of experiences.

– Maryann Essa, Community Activator

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CELEBRATING THE CONTRIBUTION OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNS

Our volunteers and interns play an invaluable role in advancing LiverWELL's work and extending our impact across Victorian communities. Over the past year, our volunteers and interns generously contributed more than 440 hours of support.

Our interns supported key projects including World Hepatitis Day and the Elevating Community Insights program. Our volunteers contributed across a range of activities, from administration to participation in community-facing events while building their understanding of viral hepatitis and community health promotion.

We are deeply grateful for their contribution and the meaningful difference they make to our communities.



EDUCATING COMMUNITIES ABOUT LIVER HEALTH

When people come together, share stories and connect with others, they can feel less isolated, more supported and confident in accessing care.

LiverWELL reached almost 34,000 people through our community awareness and engagement events this year. Over 100 sessions, this meant we facilitated more than 2,300 conversations about liver health and viral hepatitis.

Our LiverWELL health promotions team prioritised delivery in areas where research indicates there is higher need. The program focused on communities most affected by viral hepatitis including culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities, young people, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people who use drugs, people with a history of incarceration, and LGBTIQ+ communities.

Our partnerships with community organisations are vital in helping us reach people who may otherwise have limited access to liver health information. One example is our work with the Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP), which supports eligible migrants and humanitarian entrants to improve their English language skills and settle into life in Australia. Through this partnership, LiverWELL delivered 30 hepatitis education sessions to newly arrived migrants and refugees, enabling participants to build their understanding of hepatitis while developing their English language skills.

Evaluation results showed participants' strong intent to take action, with almost 80% planning to speak to their doctor about viral hepatitis, and more than 90% intending to share liver health information with family and friends.



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The session empowered women with knowledge to make informed decisions about their health and wellbeing and to share this information with their families and communities.

– Community Activator

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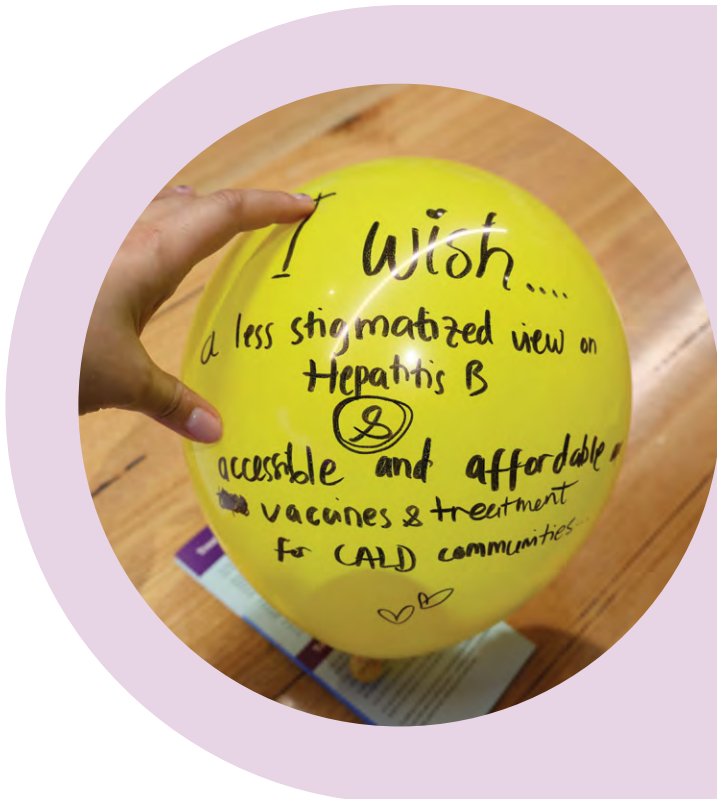
GUIDED BY COMMUNITY AND CLINICIANS

At LiverWELL, we are committed to providing accurate and accessible health information that supports people to make informed decisions about their liver health. To ensure our resources and services meet community needs, we combine community insight with clinical expertise throughout their development and review.

Over the past year, we gathered more than 100 pieces of feedback through our Elevating Community Insights workshops. We are grateful to the participants who shared their feedback, which highlighted stigma and low health literacy as key barriers to care, while trusted organisations such as LiverWELL, GPs and culturally relevant information were identified as important enablers.

These insights are informing the ongoing development of our resources, including the use of simpler language, stronger visual communication and translated materials to better meet the needs of diverse communities.

Selected resources are also reviewed by LiverWELL's Clinical Reference Group, whose volunteer clinicians help ensure our information is accurate, up to date and relevant. By combining community feedback with clinical expertise, LiverWELL continues to improve the quality, accessibility and impact of the information we provide.



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I wish fear, stigma and shame around hepatitis could be replaced with support, respect, sympathy and acceptance.

– Program participant

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PROVIDING CULTURALLY RELEVANT INFORMATION

People are more likely to engage with health information when it is delivered in ways that reflect their language, culture and lived experience. LiverWELL works alongside multicultural communities to ensure hepatitis B information is accessible, relevant and trusted.

This year, LiverWELL delivered over 20 education sessions in partnership with multicultural community organisations across Victoria, directly engaging more than 770 participants from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) communities. Through these events, communities accessed accurate hepatitis B information and connected with support.

To strengthen this work, LiverWELL developed a hepatitis B awareness video for the Vietnamese community and reprinted *Little Hep B Hero* resources in Vietnamese, English and Simplified Chinese. We used interpreting and translation services ensured information could be shared professionally, accurately and in-language.

Strong partnerships with community organisations were central to the program's success, creating trusted opportunities to discuss hepatitis B and liver health. Many organisations have already expressed interest in continuing to work with LiverWELL through future education activities.

Lived experience speakers also played an important role in helping audiences connect with the information, challenge misconceptions and reduce stigma. Delivering these messages in-language further strengthened engagement through shared cultural understanding.



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The presentations were very well received, and participants found them both informative and valuable... more than 150 people attended, which reflects the strong interest from the community in health education and awareness.

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– Deb Du, President, Victorian Chinese Culture and Arts Association VCCAA for Seniors Inc



ENGAGING REGIONAL COMMUNITIES THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS

Access to trusted hepatitis information should not depend on where someone lives. LiverWELL is working with regional communities across Victoria to improve access to information, support and referral pathways closer to home.

This year, our team strengthened partnerships with regional health services and multicultural organisations across regional Victoria, including in Ballarat, Shepparton and the Latrobe Valley. Our thanks go to HepLink, Australia's national hepatitis information and referral service. These partnerships enabled us to deliver culturally responsive hepatitis education and strengthen local referral pathways.

One example is our collaboration with Wise Well Women in Shepparton to engage Afghan women through their trusted Community Health Educators, whose community connections, language skills and lived experience helped facilitate participation and support culturally responsive health education.

Reducing stigma remained a key focus throughout the program. LiverWELL also partnered with Ballarat Community Health to develop a lived experience video to encourage respectful, inclusive conversations about hepatitis and support greater confidence in seeking information, care and support.

The relationships we built through these activities supported by HepLink have strengthened LiverWELL's regional reach and laid the foundation for ongoing engagement with communities and health services across Victoria.

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Access to trusted hepatitis information should not depend on where someone lives.

– Radhika Krishnan, Health Promotion Manager

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IMPROVING HEPATITIS CARE ACROSS REGIONAL VICTORIA

We're committed to supporting and enabling the workforce in regional areas to provide strong local responses to hepatitis B and hepatitis C.

This year, we held Workforce Forums in Ovens Murray and Bendigo to bring together perspectives on local priorities, service gaps and workforce development needs. Attracting around 50 workforce professionals and people with lived experience across these regions, the forums provided knowledge and discussion about ways to improve access to prevention, testing, treatment and care in regional communities. The conversations also highlighted the importance of intersectionality, recognising that experiences of hepatitis are often shaped by broader social circumstances, cultural background, identity and other factors that can influence access to health care and support.

Looking forward, we'll be continuing to engage deeply with the workforce in regional Victoria about future development needs, including complex liver pathways, case-based learning and sharing our learnings on engagement with community and priority populations.

Do you work in hepatitis and live in regional Victoria?
Interested in how you may be able to get involved?
Please get in touch!

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**This information is so important.
I didn't know hepatitis could be
silent for years.**

– Bicultural nurse

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LIVERWELL RECOGNITION AWARDS 2025

Each year, LiverWELL recognises individuals and organisations who have made outstanding contributions to the lives of those who live with viral hepatitis and liver disease.



The **Individual Contribution Recognition Award** was presented to **Jayashree Kunigal Shivanna** in recognition of her contribution to reducing the impact of viral hepatitis and liver disease in Victoria. As Cultural Liaison Officer at SEPHU, she supported recent arrivals to navigate the health system and access hepatitis follow-up care, helping improve access to treatment, care and vaccination.

The **Mark Farmer Memorial Award** is named in honour of former Hepatitis Victoria Board Member Mark Farmer and recognises people with lived experience who raise awareness of hepatitis and support others. This award was presented to **Mark Belzer** in recognition of his commitment to improving the health and wellbeing of people who use drugs in Victoria, through his role as a peer mentor with the C No More project.

The **Organisational Collaboration Recognition Award** was jointly awarded to **Health + Law** and **Upper Yarra Secondary College**. The award recognises organisations that have made a significant contribution to reducing the impact of viral hepatitis and liver disease in Victoria. Health + Law was recognised for its collaboration with LiverWELL, including the development of the widely used *Hepatitis B and Migration FAQ*. Upper Yarra Secondary College was recognised for its longstanding participation in the StreetShot youth program, with students creating artwork to raise awareness of viral hepatitis.



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When people feel respected and understood, they're more willing to engage with care.

– Jayashree Kunigal Shivanna

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RAISING AWARENESS FOR WORLD HEPATITIS DAY 2025

The global World Hepatitis Day 2025 theme, *Let's Break It Down*, encouraged people to understand their risk, get tested and access treatment for viral hepatitis.

In response, LiverWELL delivered a statewide awareness campaign centred on the message *Test It. Treat It.*, helping to raise awareness of the importance of testing, early diagnosis and treatment.

Through social media, digital audio advertising and billboards, the campaign reached communities across Victoria with clear, accessible hepatitis information. The two billboards were located in Preston and Laverton and generated more than 122,000 impressions. Ads delivered through LiSTNR were delivered to priority audiences, including LGBTQ+

and culturally diverse communities, and reached almost 36,700 unique listeners and generated over 208,000 impressions across radio, podcast and streaming content. Social media videos achieved a combined reach of 17,300 people, extending campaign messages to new and existing audiences.

LiverWELL also helped elevate lived experience voices through national media opportunities, including an SBS World News story on hepatitis B featuring LiverWELL Lived Experience Advisory Committee member Mei Mak.



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Take action today by
having a simple blood test to
find out, you are not alone.

– Mei Mak, Lived Experience Advocate

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SUPPORTING COMMUNITY-LED ACTIVITIES

Through our annual World Hepatitis Day Community Incentives Program, LiverWELL supports organisations to deliver community-led health promotion and testing initiatives tailored to local needs.

In 2025, the program reached around 340 people through 15 community sessions and distributed more than 1,200 hepatitis resources.

Delivered in familiar, culturally safe settings and community languages, these activities help make information more accessible and support greater awareness of hepatitis prevention, testing and care.

In 2025, the program reached multicultural communities, Aboriginal community-controlled organisations, neighbourhood houses, LGBTQIA+ communities, people experiencing housing insecurity, and alcohol and other drug services. By engaging with communities that may experience a higher burden of viral hepatitis, face barriers to accessing health information and care, or be impacted by stigma and discrimination, the program helped ensure liver health information was delivered in ways that were relevant, accessible and trusted.



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I felt comfortable asking questions because the speaker understood our culture and language. I hope there will be more sessions like this.

– Young mother, newly arrived migrant

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ADVOCATING TO 'MAKE VIC HEP FREE'

More than 74,000 Victorians are living with hepatitis B or C and many are not receiving the care they need. Around the world governments have committed to eliminating viral hepatitis as a public health threat by 2030. We're proud to be part of those efforts. We recognise that sustained action and investment is required to achieve these goals

To mark World Hepatitis Day 2025, we held an event at Victoria's Parliament House and asked Victorian Members of Parliament to sign the pledge to 'Make Vic Hep Free'. LiverWELL convened this event in conjunction with the

Victorian Viral Hepatitis Roundtable, and we thank our sector colleagues for putting forward a unified view about the actions needed for the benefit of community members at risk of, or living with, viral hepatitis.

Parliamentarians heard from people with lived experience, health professionals and advocates about the importance of continued investment in prevention, testing, treatment and community-led approaches.

We are delighted that 22 members of Victorian Parliament have signed the pledge to 'Make Vic Hep Free'.



PLEDGE TO 'MAKE VIC HEP FREE'

All Victorians living with hepatitis B and hepatitis C should be provided with the healthcare they need in the way they want to be well and stay well, no matter who they are or where they live.

There is a cure for hepatitis C. There is an effective treatment for hepatitis B.

Yet, many people living with hepatitis B and C continually experience stigma and discrimination. As a result, hospitals and many other health services do not feel safe or accessible. This means they don't get the care they need to treat hepatitis and keep their liver healthy.

Hepatitis B and C do not have to lead to liver cirrhosis, liver cancer, or early, preventable death – but too often they do. Victoria has made good progress towards eliminating hepatitis B and hepatitis C as public health threats by 2030. To get there, we need to take what's already working in pockets of Victoria and make it work everywhere it's needed.

To reach elimination in the next 5 years, we need to ensure people living with hepatitis B and hepatitis C can access treatment and care in their community – and end the stigma and discrimination they face.

I pledge to stand with people living with hepatitis B and hepatitis C in my community and support more accessible treatment and care locally.

We thank the Members of Parliament who pledged their support and thank them for their commitment to 'Make Vic Hep Free'.

The Hon. Mary-Anne Thomas, then Minister for Health,
Member for Macedon

The Hon. Enver Erdogan, then Minister for Corrections,
Member for Northern Metropolitan

Georgie Crozier, Shadow Minister for Health, Member for
Southern Metropolitan

Ann-Marie Hermans, Member for South-Eastern Metropolitan

Mathew Hilakari, Member for Point Cook

Nathan Lambert, Member for Preston

Sarah Mansfield, Member for Western Victoria

Steve McGhie, Member for Melton

Tim Read, Member for Brunswick

Meng Heang Tak, Member for Clarinda

Nina Taylor, Member for Albert Park

Kat Theophanous, Member for Northcote

Jordan Crugnale, Member for Bass

Anasina Gray-Barberio, Member for Northern Metropolitan

Bronwyn Halfpenny, Member for Thomastown

Katie Hall, Member for Footscray

Paul Hamer, Member for Box Hill

Martha Haylett, Member for Ripon

Trung Luu, Member for Western Metropolitan

Emma Vulin, Member for Pakenham

Sheena Watt, Member for Northern Metropolitan

Dylan Wight, Member for Tarneit

We encourage members of the community to contact your local Member of Parliament and ask them to join the pledge to show their support for eliminating viral hepatitis. If you'd like to support to do this, please contact us for more information and resources.

LEADING THE NATIONAL RESPONSE TO MASLD

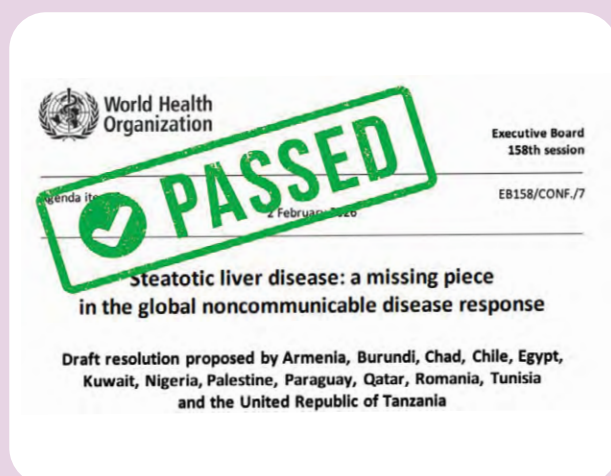
LiverWELL has been at the forefront of making Metabolic dysfunction-associated steatotic liver disease (MASLD), the most common form of fatty liver disease, an Australian public health priority since 2024. This year we've continued our contributions to the growing global momentum on this under-recognised liver disease.

In early 2026, the World Health Organization (WHO) released a draft resolution calling for steatotic liver disease, including MASLD, to be recognised as a missing piece in the global noncommunicable disease response. The resolution noted that it is “... one of the fastest-growing causes of chronic liver disease, affecting about 1.7 billion people worldwide...” and acknowledges that it is “a leading cause of liver-related morbidity and mortality”.

LiverWELL participated in the international consultation sessions around the WHO resolution, providing our perspective on the difference the resolution could make for the community. Our MASLD Action Network provided their strong support for Australia to vote yes to the resolution through a collective public statement which drew on their expertise as clinicians, researchers, community health professionals and consumers.

We were delighted in May 2026 when this landmark resolution on liver disease was passed. The resolution calls on all Member States, including Australia, to integrate MASLD into national strategies, strengthen primary health care approaches, improve awareness and promote collaborative action to addressing risk factors. These recommendations closely echo the outcome report on the first national MASLD symposium which we convened in 2024.

Continuing our leadership in this space, in June 2026 we launched the first Australian community-focused MASLD survey. The results of this survey will support our continued calls for improved policies and better support services for people living with the condition.



“As a collective of expert clinicians, researchers, community health professionals and consumers we are all too aware that steatotic liver disease is now the most common liver condition both globally and in Australia. It remains under-recognised and under-diagnosed, allowing potential progression to advanced liver disease, including cirrhosis and liver cancer. It is also closely linked with major noncommunicable diseases, including diabetes and cardiovascular disease.

This condition is largely preventable and, when detected and addressed early, often reversible. We have the opportunity to improve the health and wellbeing of millions of people.”

– LiverWELL MASLD Action Network

TREASURER'S REPORT

During this reporting period, the Company has maintained a stable financial position in a somewhat volatile external environment, reflecting strong operational management and focused allocation of resources.

LiverWELL's total revenue and finance income for the financial year ended 30 June 2026 was \$1,830,271 which is a decrease of 11.3% from the prior year. This decrease in revenue reflects the timing of delivery of funding milestones in order for the funding to be treated as revenue under accounting standards. This is offset by an increase in the grants received in advance on the balance sheet over \$104k from prior year. This amount of grants received in advance of \$156k as at 30 June 2026 will be recognised as income in FY27 as the milestones are achieved.

The expenses for the financial year ended 30 June 2026 were \$1,952,279 representing a decrease of 7% compared to the prior year, reflective of the Company's focus on effectively managing its costs.

The Company delivered a deficit of \$122,008 to 30 June 2026. The deficit represents the additional investment made by the organisation to maintain momentum in the delivery of LiverWELL's key strategic priorities, namely:

- liver health strategy,
- government engagement strategy, and
- funding diversification strategy.

LiverWELL has \$623,412 in cash at bank, along with \$350,000 held via term deposits and a further \$690,426 held in investment in a managed fund.

LiverWELL's total assets stand at \$1,691,136 while liabilities amount to \$356,897. This leaves a net asset position at 30 June 2026 of \$1,334,239. While the net asset position has decreased as compared to prior year, LiverWELL is in a healthy financial position and the organisation will continue to manage resources and commitments strategically and effectively to ensure the delivery of our strategic outcomes.

The full 2025–2026 Financial Report is available on our website liverwell.org.au/about-us/organisation/#financial-statements

EXTRACT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2025–2026

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the Year Ended 30 June 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
Revenue and other income	4	1,802,812	2,033,073
Finance income		27,459	32,399
Employee benefits expense		(1,545,750)	(1,565,552)
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(61,086)	(111,869)
Corporate and administration expenses		(274,072)	(243,320)
Other expenses		(70,789)	(175,798)
Finance expenses		(582)	(4,081)
(Loss) before income tax		(122,008)	(35,148)
Income tax expense		-	-
(Loss) for the year		(122,008)	(35,148)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax		-	-
Total comprehensive (loss) for the year		(122,008)	(35,148)

Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 June 2026

	Note	2026 \$	2025 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	623,412	379,233
Trade and other receivables	6	357,050	650,198
Other assets	7	15,437	23,222
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		995,899	1,052,653
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Other financial assets	8	690,426	689,579
Property, plant and equipment	9	4,811	23,724
Right-of-use assets	10	-	42,173
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		695,237	755,476
TOTAL ASSETS		1,691,136	1,808,129
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	11	116,470	154,541
Lease liabilities	10	-	49,744
Other financial liabilities	12	156,761	52,691
Employee benefits	13	83,666	94,906
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		356,897	351,882
TOTAL LIABILITIES		356,897	351,882
NET ASSETS		1,334,239	1,456,247
EQUITY			
Contribution at inception		749,697	749,697
Retained surplus		584,542	706,550
TOTAL EQUITY		1,334,239	1,456,247

WE THANK OUR PARTNERS & SUPPORTERS

Many individuals and organisations have contributed to LiverWELL's work across different programs and initiatives, providing critical support in various capacities. This overlapping participation highlights the collaborative nature of our work, strengthening our reach and impact.

We would also like to thank all our individual and organisational members for their support over the year.

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