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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

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**World Hepatitis Day in North Bay**  
*Proclamation, Testing and BBQ at City Hall*

The **AIDS Committee of North Bay & Area (ACNBA)** is marking **World Hepatitis Day, Wednesday, July 27th** with a number of events outside **North Bay City Hall**.

**Mayor Al McDonald** will read the official proclamation declaring World Hepatitis Day in North Bay. Friends of ACNBA, **Nipissing MP, Anthony Rota** and **Nipissing MPP Vic Fedeli** will join us.

Free hepatitis testing will be available.

Attendees can enjoy free hotdogs and hamburgers at the on-site BBQ and sign ACNBA's World Hepatitis Day message board of hope.

All are welcome!

**Hepatitis facts:**

- hepatitis is an inflammation of the liver caused by viral infection
- nearly **600,000** Canadians are affected by this potentially fatal disease
- it can take many years before symptoms appear
- **over a quarter** of those infected are not aware of their status
- **one in 12** people worldwide has viral hepatitis
- approximately **1.4 million** people die of the disease annually
- there is no vaccine but **there is a cure**

**When:** Wednesday, July 27, 2016  
11:30 am - 1:30 pm

**Where:** Outside North Bay City Hall

*For more information on ACNBA's World Hepatitis Day event go to [www.aidsnorthbay.com](http://www.aidsnorthbay.com) or contact:*

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