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Dr. John Ward is Director of the Division of Viral Hepatitis at NCHHSTP, CDC. Ward is responsible for planning and directing national and international research, surveillance and public health programs related to viral hepatitis prevention and control.

In addition to his work in viral hepatitis, Ward's experience includes 14 years in the field of HIV/AIDS conducting early studies of AIDS transmission, natural history and diagnosis, evaluating prevention measures to protect the blood supply and directing national HIV/AIDS surveillance. Ward has also served as Editor of the Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR), CDC's primary health publication. As Editor, Ward created the Epidemic Information Exchange (Epi-X), a secure, moderated system for public health officials to report and discuss disease outbreaks and other health events. Ward has authored over 100 scientific publications and recently served as Editor for *Silent Victories*, a history of public health in the 20th century published in 2007 by Oxford University Press.

Ward received his medical degree from the University of Alabama School of Medicine in Birmingham and completed an internship and residency in internal medicine at the University of Alabama Hospitals with additional postgraduate training at the London School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service and the infectious diseases fellowship program at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle. He holds a clinical faculty appointment with the Department of Medicine, Emory University.

