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Professor Margaret Hellard is the Head of the Centre for Population Health at the Burnet Institute in Melbourne and Head of Hepatitis Services in the Infectious Diseases Unit at The Alfred Hospital. Margaret’s principal research interests are in preventing the transmission and improving the management of blood borne viruses and sexually transmitted infections. She has considerable experience in undertaking multidisciplinary community based research involving people who inject drugs (PWID), men who have sex with men and other vulnerable populations. Margaret is a member of numerous advisory committees and working groups; she played an instrumental role in the development of the WHO Hepatitis C Guidelines for Screening, Care and Treatment and the Australian National Strategy for Hepatitis C (2014 – 2017). Margaret is a Principal Investigator of the TAP Study, a world first study examining the efficacy hepatitis C treatment as prevention in PWID, using a community based social network approach.