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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The WHO in their quest to reduce the prevalence, morbidity, and mortality of viral hepatitis must tailor their efforts in specific geographical areas. The ROMA's will require challenging programs. Often the quality of life is ghetto-like and there is a lack of motivation by many of the inhabitants to change. There must be government and WHO commitment to provide funds, personnel, equipment, vaccines and therapy. It will be difficult to change life style, tradition and motivation. A strong educational component that might include ROMA's from countries where they live and have a higher socioeconomic status. Ideally point of care testing should be utilized in the most difficult areas with a test and treat one stop approach.

RE-REVIEW REPORT OF REVISED MANUSCRIPT

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I endorse this final version of your manuscript. Something that you avoided stating is

recommending government financial support which would facilitate the measures necessary to significantly improve the relatively high risk of acute and chronic hepatitis among the Roma.