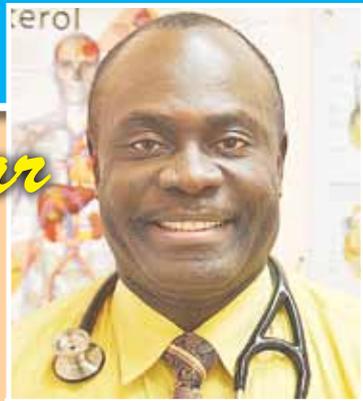


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with Dr. Robert Balthazar

I need help for my upset stomach. Would natural herbs help?



- DR. ROBERT BALTHAZAR, MD
- PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN
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Dear Doctor,
I was diagnosed with Hepatitis C and treated in 2006. The treatment was not successful and I hated the way the medications made me feel. My stomach was always upset and I was depressed most of the time. A friend of mine suggested I try a homeopathic treatment course, using all natural herbs instead, but I'm not sure. What do you suggest?

-Evan

Dear Evan,
 Treatment of Hepatitis C (HCV) has been revolutionized since you were diagnosed in 2006. Recently, the FDA approved new medications that can actually cure people with the disease! At Acacia Network, we've already seen success with these new treatments which work for all types of HCV, have fewer side effects and drug-to-drug interactions, and can be administered over the course of only 12 weeks. People who

were previously ineligible for certain treatments due to severe liver damage or co-infection with HIV are also encouraged to consider these new medications. The cure rates are remarkably high.

While we know how

important it is for individuals with HCV to eat a clean, healthy diet and avoid chemicals such as alcohol and drugs, there hasn't been a lot of research on homeopathic therapy. Therefore, it's not clear if these herbs will help, how

they interact with other drugs or whether or not they're even safe. Besides, herbs and tonics can also cause side effects and may be extremely costly. You're much better off going with a treatment that's safe and has been proven to stop— yes, stop! — the

virus from reproducing in your body.

Acacia Network offers the full package for individuals with Hepatitis C— the latest treatment, plus counseling and mental health services when needed. I urge you to make an appointment and learn more about how we can help you.

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