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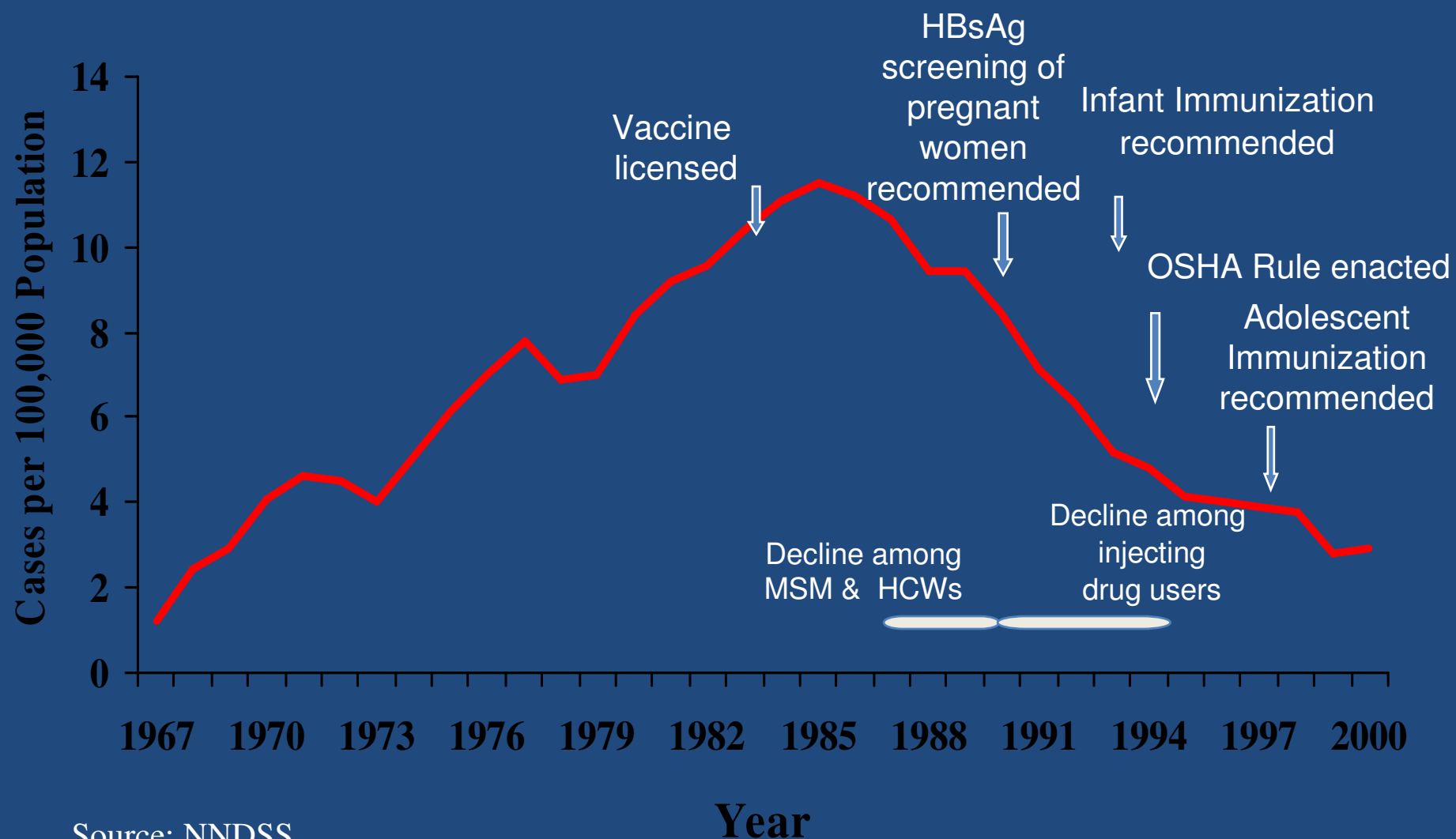
Insights in National Hepatitis B Partnerships

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Hepatitis B by Year, United States, 1966 - 2000



Source: NNDSS

Hepatitis B

Globally

- 400 million with chronic HBV
- 500,000 die annually from cirrhosis and HCC
- 40,000 die annually from acute hep B

United States

- Estimate 1-2 million with chronic HBV
- 4,000-6,000 die annually
- 0.3%-0.5% US population have chronic HBV
- 1 in 10 AAPI have chronic HBV
- 1 in 4 will develop cirrhosis and HCC
- 9 in 10 infected infants develops chronic HBV
- SF study, 2 in 3 infected AAPI did not know it

National Taskforce on Hepatitis B:

AAPI

1997

Mission:

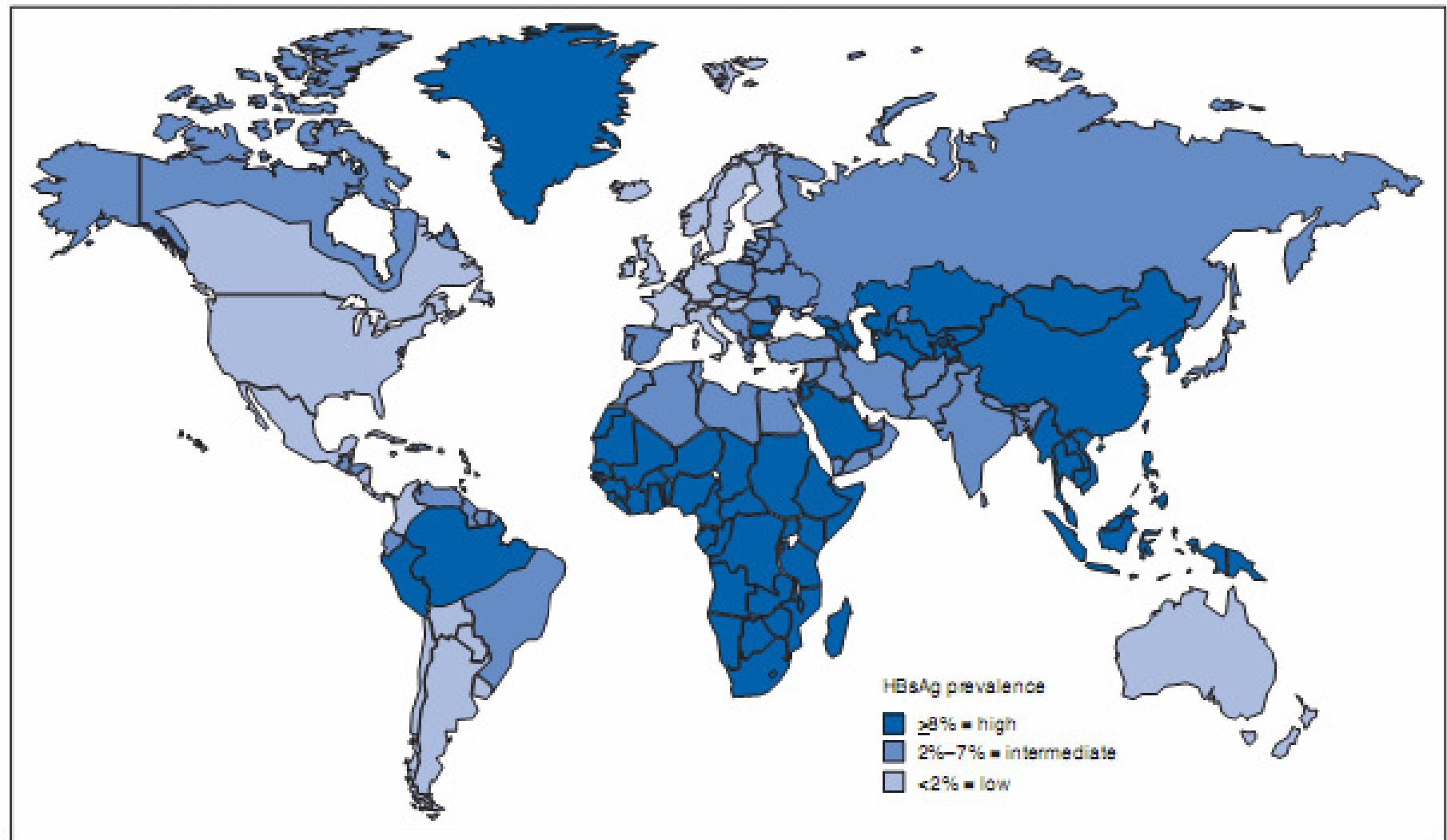
To support national, state, and local efforts to prevent new hepatitis B infections through vaccination, to identify chronically infected individuals, and to offer appropriate treatment and cancer screening.

129 members: academics, health care providers, state/local health departments & non-profits who meet via monthly calls

History

- 1997 – National Taskforce on Hepatitis B: AAPI (129)
- 2003 December – National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable (109)
- 2006 July – Hepatitis B Bill (1st)
- 2006 September - APIAHF - AAPI Health Summit
- 2006 December – DHHS Sec. Mike Leavitt Meeting
- 2007 November – National Taskforce Hepatitis B Expert Panel
- 2007 December – Hepatitis B Bill (2nd)
- 2008 September – CDC New Screening Guidelines
- 2008 October – NIH Hepatitis B Consensus Conf.
- 2008 December – HHS signs Goals & Strategies

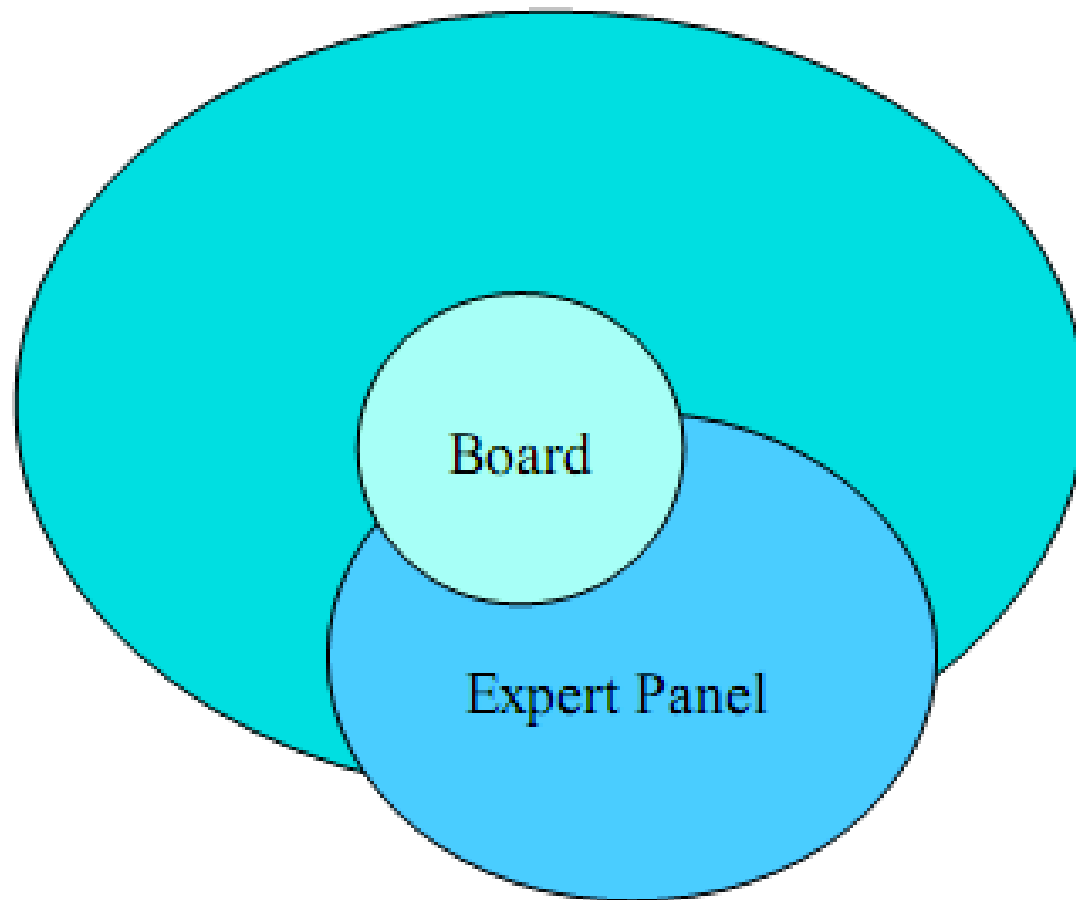
FIGURE 3. Geographic distribution of chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection — worldwide, 2006*



* For multiple countries, estimates of prevalence of hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg), a marker of chronic HBV infection, are based on limited data and might not reflect current prevalence in countries that have implemented childhood hepatitis B vaccination. In addition, HBsAg prevalence might vary within countries by subpopulation and locality.

Source: CDC. Travelers' health; yellow book. Atlanta, GA: US Department of Health and Human Services, CDC; 2008. Available at <http://www.cdc.gov/travel/yellowbookch4-HepB.aspx>.

National Taskforce on Hepatitis B: Focus on Asian and Pacific Islander Americans



Federal:

- CDC
- OPHS/OMH
- NIH
- HRSA
- FDA
- OPHS/NVPO
- Veterans Affairs

National Taskforce on Hepatitis B Expert Panel: Focus on Asian Americans and Native Hawaiians & Pacific Islanders

Goal :Reduce the risk of chronic hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection and its long-term complications

Objectives

- Prevent new HBV infections by promoting screening, immunization and education
- Promote early detection, appropriate follow-up and clinical management of persons with chronic HBV infection
- Increase awareness and support of HBV research among national and state policy makers

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Strategy 1: Improve HBV-related Public Health Prevention Infrastructure

Strategy 2: Increase HBV-related Health Education and Awareness

Strategy 3: Increase Screenings for Chronic HBV Infection

Strategy 4: Improve Access to Care and Treatment for Chronic HBV

Strategy 5: Increase Research for HBV and Liver Cancer

Other Highlights

- **World Hepatitis Alliance – Global Hepatitis Day**
- **Institute of Medicine – Viral Hepatitis Study**
- **NIH – Clinical Trials**
- **CDC – Screening Study**
- **California strategy for adult viral hepatitis prevention**
- **Asia and Pacific Alliance to Eliminate Viral Hepatitis**

Priorities

- Strengthening AA & NHOPI Policy Advocacy Capacity
- Viral Hepatitis National Leadership
- Local / State Viral Hepatitis Networks
- AA & NHOPI Spokespersons

Threats

- Economy
- Political Will
- Other Health Priorities

Links & Resources

- Hepatitis B Taskforce
 - Hepbtaskforce.org
- Hepatitis B Foundation
 - hepb.org
- Asian Liver Center
 - liver.stanford.edu
- National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable
 - nvhr.org
- B Free CEED
 - bfree.med.nyu.edu
- CDC, Division of Viral Hepatitis
 - cdc.gov/hepatitis
- NIH, Consensus Conference
 - consensus.nih.gov

“In the End, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends.”

- Martin Luther King Jr

Thank You

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