

Table 2 HBV-, HCV- and HIV-related risk behaviours in injecting drug users in Shahr-e-Kord

Antibody	Ever shared syringe/needle				Previous incarceration			
	Yes (n = 26)		No (n = 107)		Yes (n = 47)		No (n = 86)	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
HCV+	8*	30.8	7	6.5	8	17.0	7	8.
HCV-	18	69.2	100	93	39	83.	79	91
HB _s Ag+	5*	19.2	3	2.8	4	8.5	4	4.
HB _s Ag-	21	80.8	104	97	43	91.	82	95
HIV+	1	3.8	0	0.0	1	2.1	0	0.
HIV-	25	96.2	107	100	46	97.9	86	100

*P < 0.05.

HCV+ and shared syringe/needle P = 0.002.

HBsAg+ and shared syringe/needle P = 0.007.

HCV+ and previous incarceration P = 0.105.

HBsAg+ and previous incarceration P = 0.269.

HCV = hepatitis C virus; HBsAg = hepatitis B surface antigen; HIV = human immunodeficiency virus.