



Screen for Complications

Decompensated cirrhosis

Defined by: the presence of ascites, hepatic encephalopathy, variceal bleeding or jaundice

HCC Surveillance

- Ultrasound and alpha-fetoprotein (AFP) Q6 monthly
- Do in all patients with cirrhosis including Child-Pugh B/C

Lab Surveillance

- CBC, ALT, Bilirubin, albumin, INR, creatinine* Na & K* Q3 monthly
- Start Vitamin D supplementation of 1000 IU/day in all patients if testing not available, or measure a level & adjust dosing

**Measure creatinine, Na, & K more often if on diuretics*

Variceal surveillance

[See the Varices page for more info on variceal prophylaxis](#)