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Mistakes in the management of hepatocellular carcinoma and how to avoid them

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Hepatocellular carcinoma accounts for 90% of liver cancer cases and predominantly arises in cirrhosis, with immune checkpoint inhibitors now transforming management and common mistakes identified across the care pathway.

KEY POINTS

- Liver cancer is the sixth most common cancer and the third leading cause of cancer-related death globally.
- Hepatocellular carcinoma accounts for about 90% of liver cancer cases and mostly arises in chronic liver disease, especially cirrhosis.
- Viral hepatitis remains a leading cause of HCC, while alcohol-related disease and MASLD are rising causes.
- Immune checkpoint inhibitors are transforming HCC management, making it timely to address common mistakes in screening, staging, diagnosis and treatment.

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