Treatment and testing policy in countries

In 2018, WHO published interim guidance to recommend dolutegravir (DTG) as a preferred first-line antiretroviral drug for everyone living with HIV older than six years and weighing more than 15kg, including women and adolescent girls of childbearing potential who are using consistent and reliable contraception. The table summarizes current treatment, monitoring, PrEP, lay provider testing, and self-testing policies for selected countries in the Region in 2018.



Country policy	Cambodia	China	Fiji	Kiribati	Lao People's Democratic Republic	Malaysia	Micronesia (Federated States of)
TREATMENT POLICY							
	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All
DTG introduced in national guidelines and procurement initiated	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
DTG introduced in national guidelines	Yes ¹	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
DTG introduction in national guidelines planned	Yes²	No					
TREATMENT REGIMEN (preferred 1st line)							
Adults and adolescents	TDF+3TC+DTG	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+DTG	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+DTG	TDF+FTC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV
Children 3 - 10 years	ABC+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+EFV (or NVP)	AZT+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+NVP
Children less than 3 years	ABC+3TC+LPV/r	AZT+3TC+LPV/r (or NVP)	AZT +3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC+ 3TC+LPV/r	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP
MONITORING							
Viral load	Routine	Routine	Routine	Routine (planned)	Routine	Routine	Routine (planned)
Clinic visit for stable patients	3-6 months	3 months	2-3 months	3 months	3-6 months	6 months	3 months
ARV pick up for stable patients	3-6 months	3 months	2-3 months	3 months	3-6 months	1 month	3 months
PREVENTION AND T	ESTING						
PrEP	No	Pilot	No	No	No	Yes	No
HIV testing by trained lay provider	Yes	Yes	No	No	Pilot	Yes	No
HIV self-testing	piloting	Pilot	No	No	No	available but no policy	No

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Country policy	Mongolia	Nauru	Palau	Papua New Guinea	Philippines	the Republic of the Marshall Islands	Solomon Islands	
TREATMENT POLICY								
	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	
DTG introduced in national guidelines and procurement initiated	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
DTG introduced in national guidelines	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	yes	yes	
DTG introduction in national guidelines planned					No			
TREATMENT REGIMEN (preferred 1st line)								
Adults and adolescents	TDF+3TC (or FTC)+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+EFV (or NVP)	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC (or FTC)+EFV	
Children 3 - 10 years	ABC+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC+3TC+EFV	AZT+3TC+EFV (or NVP)	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC + 3TC + EFV	
Children less than 3 years	ABC (or AZT) +3TC+LPV/r	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC (or AZT)+3TC+LPV/r	AZT+3TC+NVP (or EPV or LPV/r)	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC (or AZT) + 3TC + LPV/r	
MONITORING								
Viral load	Routine	Routine (planned)	Routine (planned)	Routine (in selected sites)	Routine (in selected sites)	Routine (planned)	Routine	
Clinic visit for stable patients	3 months	3 months	3 months	2-3 months	6 months	3 months	3 months	
ARV pick up for stable patients	3 months	3 months	3 months	2-3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	
PREVENTION AND TESTING								
PrEP	Yes ³	No	No	No	Pilot	No	No	
HIV testing by trained lay provider	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	
HIV self-testing	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	

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Country policy	Tonga	Tuvalu	Vanuatu	Viet Nam				
TREATMENT POLICY								
	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All	Treat All				
DTG introduced in national guidelines and procurement initiated	No	No	No	No				
DTG introduced in national guidelines	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes				
DTG introduction in national guidelines planned				Yes				
TREATMENT REGIMEN (preferred 1st line)								
Adults and adolescents	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV	TDF+3TC+EFV				
Children 3 - 10 years	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+EFV				
Children less than 3 years	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	AZT+3TC+NVP	ABC+3TC+LPV/r				
MONITORING								
Viral load	Routine (planned)	Routine (planned)	Routine	Routine				
Clinic visit for stable patients	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 month				
ARV pick up for stable patients	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 month				
PREVENTION AND TESTING								
PrEP	No	No	No	Yes				
HIV testing by trained lay provider	No	No	No	Yes				
HIV self-testing	No	No	No	Yes				

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