



BioMedical Prevention of HIV

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Overview Objective

- Epidemiological Control of STIs / HIV
- Biomedical Prevention of HIV
 - **T**reatment **as** **P**revention (TasP)
 - **P**ost **E**xposure **P**rophylaxis (PEP)
 - **P**re **E**xposure **P**rophylaxis (PrEP)
- Nurse Practitioner Prescribing
 - S100 and S85
 - Gaps to access S100 prescribers

Epidemiological Control of Sexually transmissible Infections

$$R_o = \beta c D \quad \text{E.g. Reduce } R_o \text{ for HIV by}$$

- Probability of Tx (β)
 - Co factors (gonorrhoea, Chlamydia)
 - Viral load
 - Condom use (use, desire, availability)
 - change type of sex (anal sex, chem sex, non-sober sex)
- Rate of partner change (c)
 - !!! Good Luck !!!

Duration of infection (D) –

- **Most important = Access / barriers to access**

Barrier to Access

- Heterosexism
 - *An assumption that all persons are 'heterosexual' and the only valid choice and that any other form(s) of sexuality apart from heterosexuality is 'deviant'*
- Homophobia
 - *Hatred or fear of a person (or group of people) who is homosexual [and acts to] dehumanize a large group of people, to deny their humanity, their dignity and personhood [similar to sexism / racism / anti-Semitism]*
- Equal Rights = Human Rights
- *GLBTIQ Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender Intersex Queer etc [Non heterosexual]



Behind sex and desire lies the idea of sexuality. Sexuality – a complex of powerful symbols and cultural, social and psychological meanings that suffuse not only sexual activity but many areas of life. Sexuality, sets the context within which sex occurs. However much we feel that it is deeply personal and peculiar to ourselves, sexuality is both culturally and historically shaped...and brings with it issues of power.

[Anthony Coxon]



Love is gender-blind.



Support marriage equality for all.

UNAIDS 90-90-90; IAS Conference Melbourne 2014

90-90-90: Treatment for all



90-90-90 HIV treatment targets

30 million people on treatment by 2020

90% of people living with HIV know their status

90% of people who know their status are on antiretroviral therapy

90% of people on antiretroviral therapy achieve viral suppression

First 90%: Screening and Early Detection

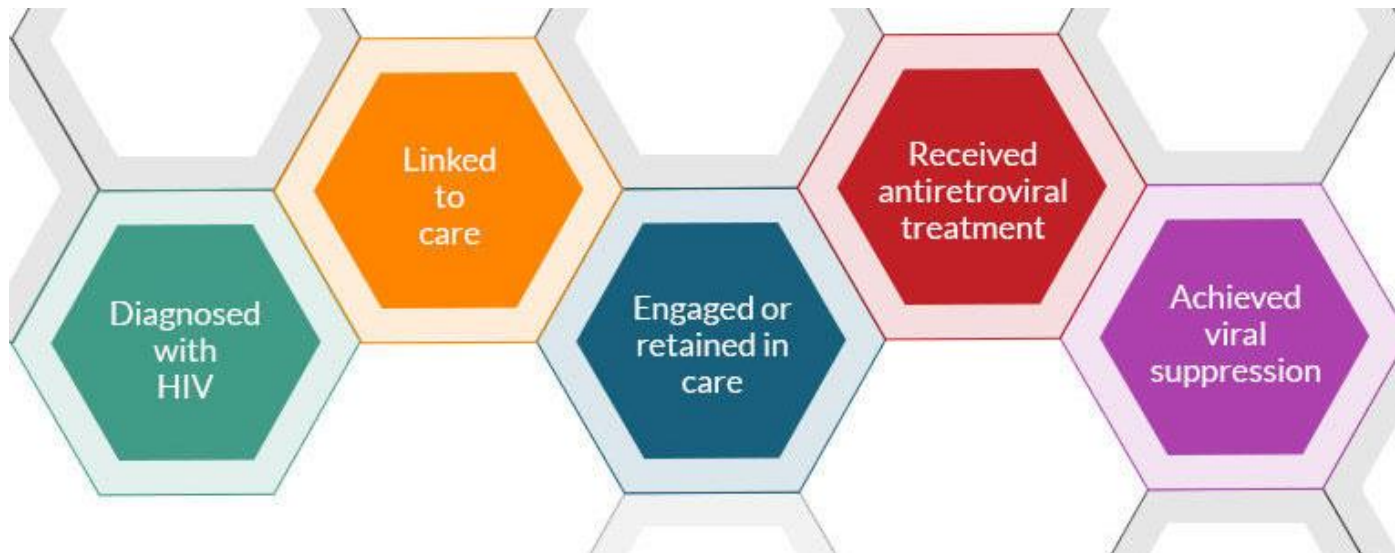
- ~ 89% of People Living With HIV (PLWH) are aware of their HIV status
 - ~70 – 74% are in GSM (Gay and Men-Who-Have –Sex-With-Men)
- ~29% are diagnosed late in HIV infection (AIDS defining illness, suppressed CD4)
- 45% of late diagnosis are in heterosexual women

Second 90% - Treatment as Prevention

- 84% are on treatment with combined anti retrovirals (cART = \$100 drugs in Australia)
 - HPTN-052 study
 - Partner study
 - Opposites Attract Study

In summary, no participants with an undetectable viral load transmitted HIV to their sexual partner during the study.

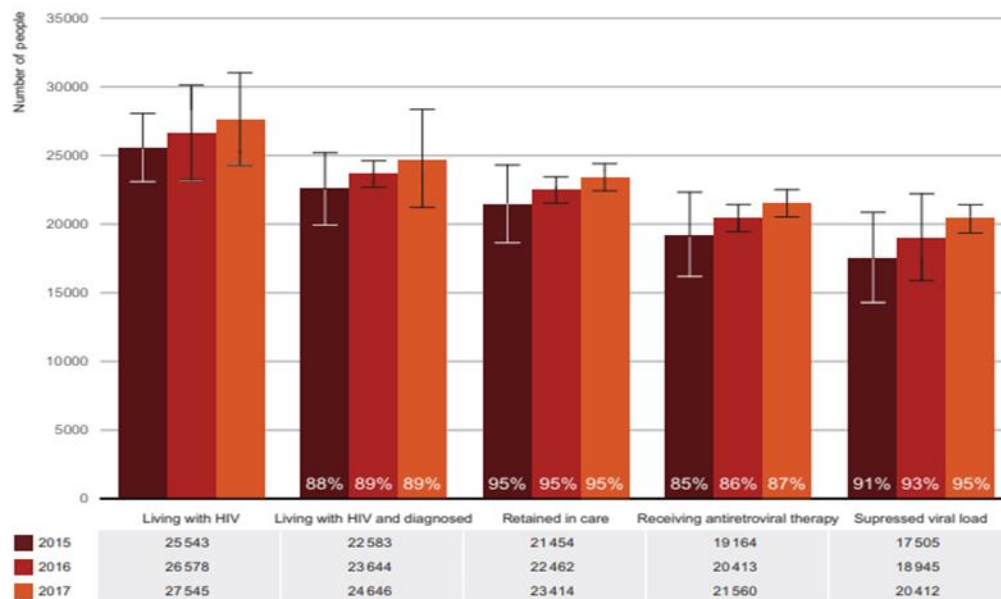
Third 90% - HIV treatment Cascade = Chronic Health Management



92% of people accessing ARV treatment were estimated to have an undetectable viral load.

2017 HIV Surveillance Data (Kirby Institute)

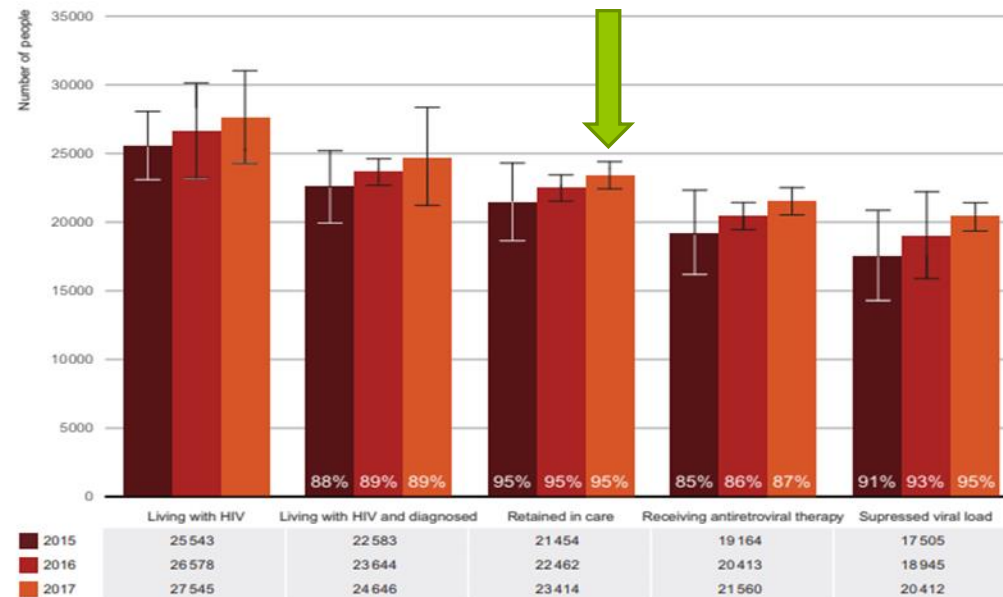
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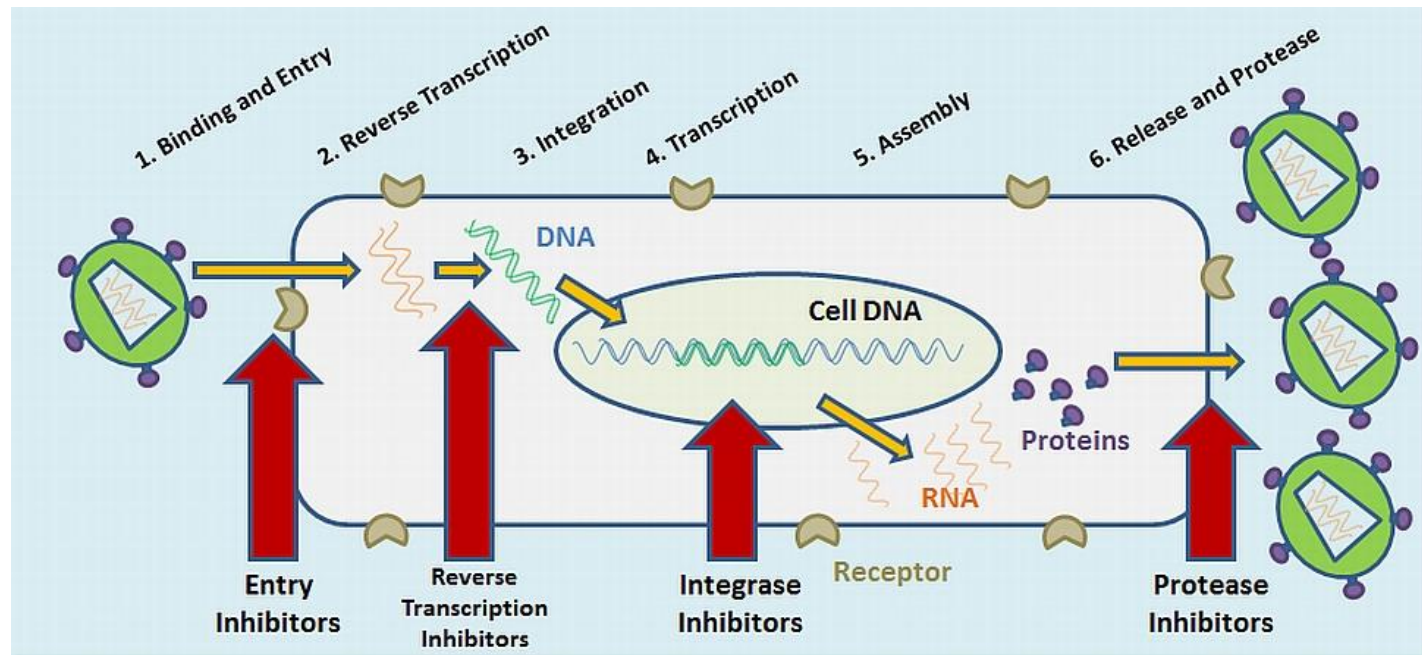
5% not in care

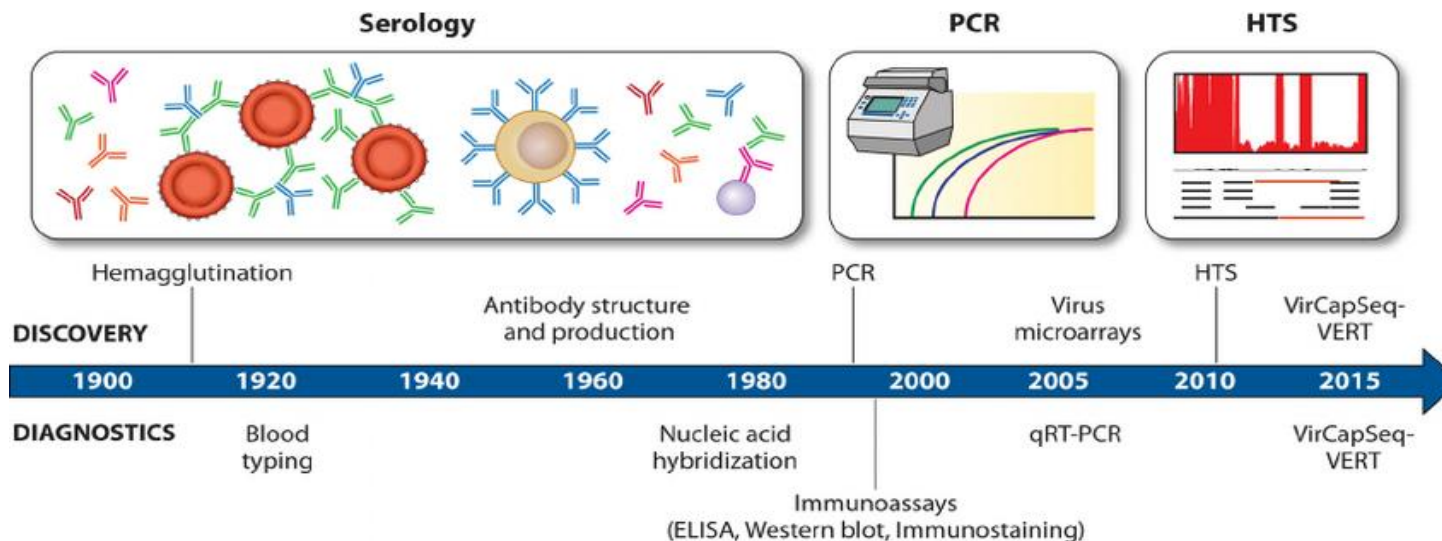
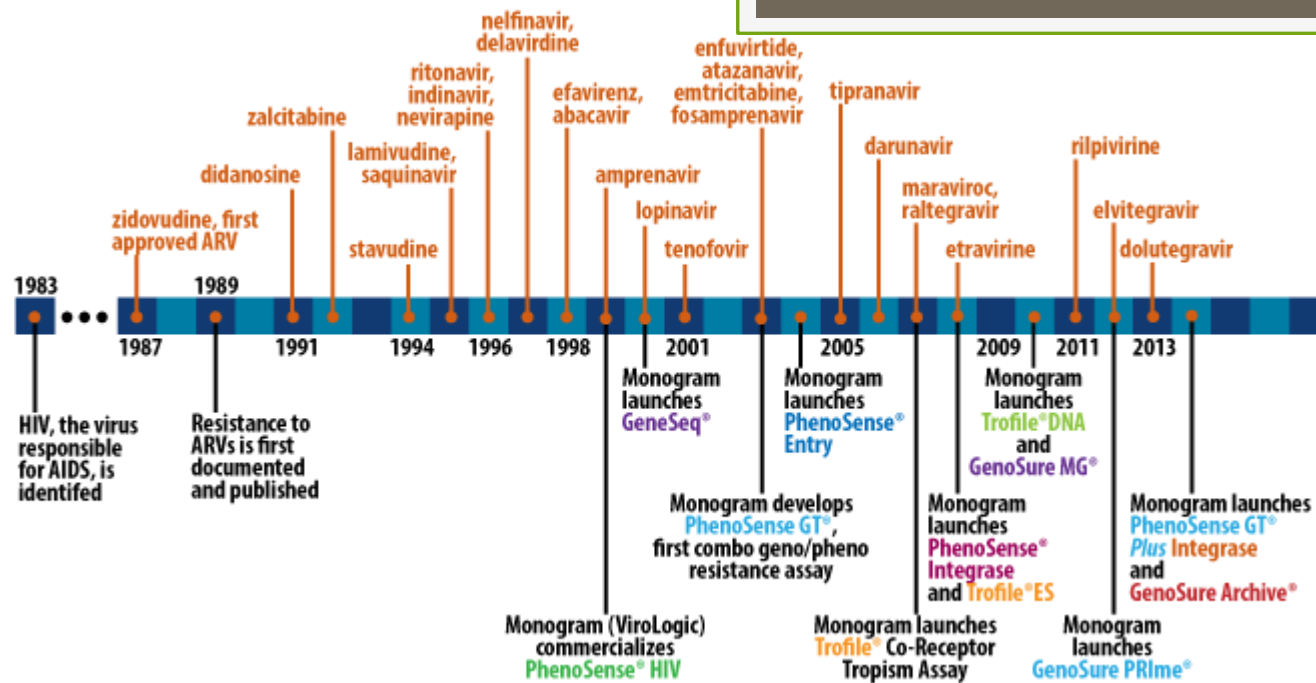
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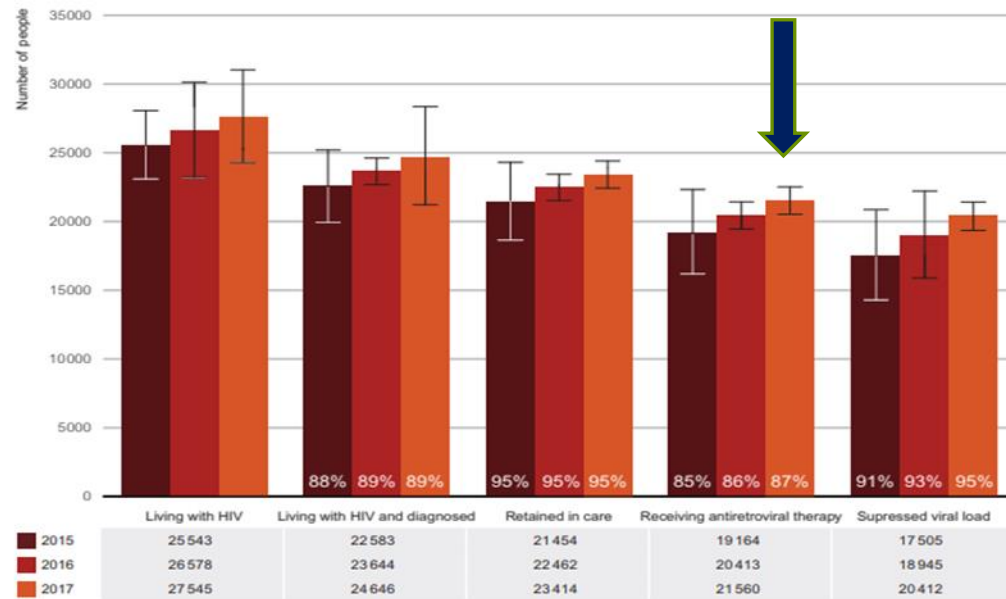
Combined Anti-retroviral drugs





13% not on treatment

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Safety Profile of cART and Adverse Drug Reactions

Newer HIV regimens cause fewer side effects than regimens used in the past.

- Renal failure (Acute / Chronic)
- Hepatotoxicity
- Heart disease
- Diabetes or insulin resistance
- hyperlipidaemia
- lipodystrophy
- osteoporosis
- peripheral neuropathy
- Mental health-related effects, including insomnia, depression, and thoughts of suicide

Case Study: CA

- 38 year old man. Initial HIV diagnosis Jan 2016. Seroconversion illness. Last HIV negative test June 2015.
- Initial contact was SOPV outreach with a Sexual Health Nurse
- Multiple presentations since 2010
 - Red Flags
 - Male – not engaging
 - STI every presentation
 - Chem sex – IDU speed initially then Ice; never sober with sex
 - Multiple same sex partners; never opposite sex

HEADDS: CA

- H: Lives with flat mates; fractured family dynamics and in touch with Mother. 3 siblings. Mother – ETOH and 'ex' Heroin; Father – not present since aged 15 years old.
- E: Completed Year 12 then TAFE – hospitality
- A: Works as a Front Manager in a 5* restaurant. Full time. Not many absences. Enjoys work. Outside of work, no other interest / activities
- D: Smoker since aged 11 years; cannabis aged 15 years. IDU around same time. ETOH - >6 standard drinks per day; drunk at work but manages to keep this 'hidden' Has worked under IDU at work.
- S: First age of SI 14 years old; SSA only; identifies as a gay man. Out to family – mother OK with sexuality; out at work. Meets most men on line; not GLB+ community connected.
- S: Has not been formally diagnosed with MH issues. Has never sought counselling. ETOH not seen as an issue. Drug use is 'under control'

Status

- Since HIV diagnosis, has been 'chaotically' engaging in HIV treatments and has an undetectable HIV VL
- ETOH / Substance use – multiple attempts – IP detox/ rehab / OP/ NA/ AA → has reduced use but still over >6 standard drinks a day (Manages to maintain good body image); ice down to weekly
- Hep C negative; LFTs → fatty liver
- Responds well to RNs via phone but misses appointments ++++ (HIV Clinic, Metabolic and Liver Clinics); lots of excuses but never misses scripts for cART
- Engages well with Primary NP; never sees the same Registrar or MO every visit because of changes in roles

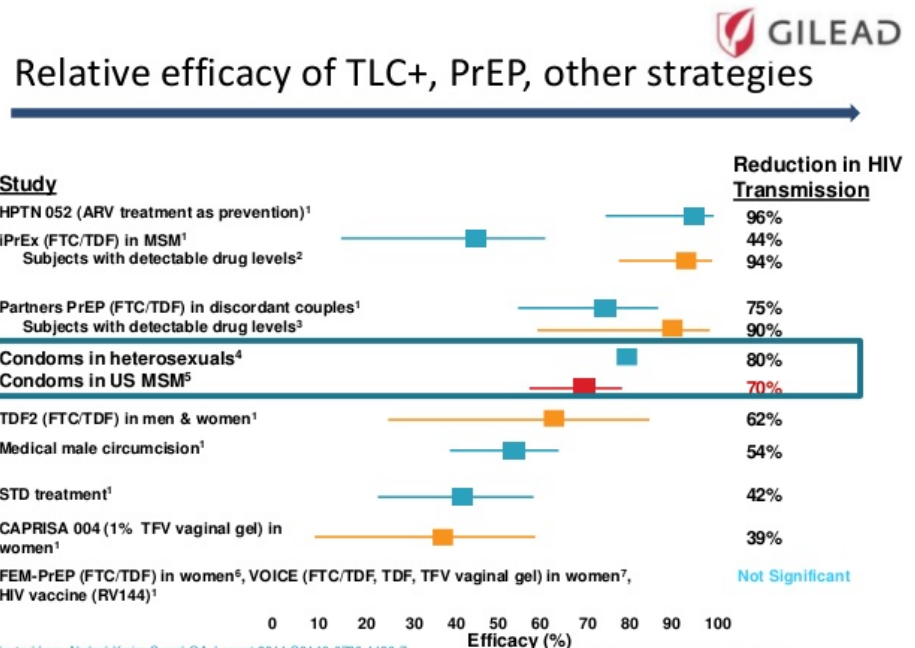
PrEP Biomedical Prevention

○ Evidence

- iPrEX study, the
- PROUD study
- IPERGAY

TGA Approved
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PBAC listed as a S85
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PrEP (Listed as S85)

Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (TDF) and emtricitabine (FTC) well established nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitors already used for treatment of HIV-1

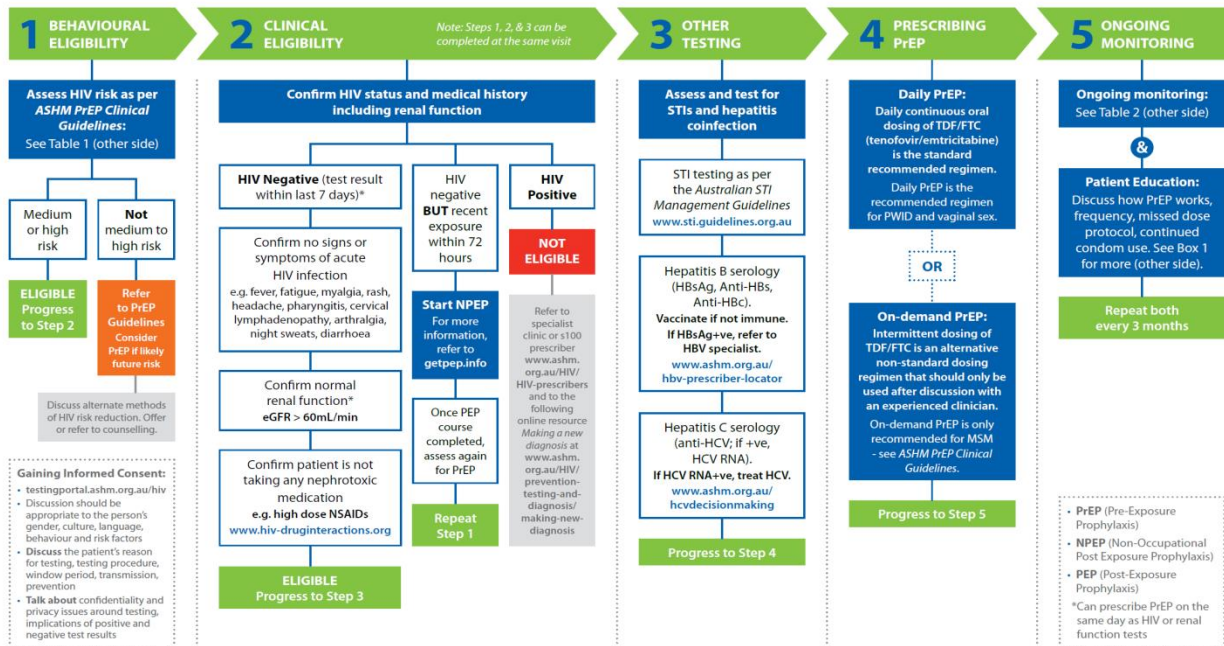
- Clinical trials have evaluated oral TDF, oral TDF/FTC combination and TDF vaginal gel
 - Safe, potent and well tolerated
 - Available co-formulated in single pill (Truvada)
 - Both FTC and TDF have long plasma (10 to 17 hours) and intracellular (39¹ and 150² hours) half-lives
 - Have high penetration in vaginal and rectal tissues
 - *Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) is not approved by TGA or PBAC but is the same formulation as PrEP (TDF/FTC) and only prescribed as part of a Research Study (Cost \$296 per month + \$665 for 3rd drug) vs in past (\$1200 per month in 2016)*

PrEP



Decision Making in PrEP

Prescribing Pathway for PrEP in Australia



For more information about PrEP: www.ashm.org.au/HIV/PrEP

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\$100 – Highly Specialised Drugs Program

- The Highly Specialised Drugs (HSD) Program provides access to specialised Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) medicines for the treatment of chronic conditions which, because of their clinical use and other special features, have restrictions on where they can be prescribed and supplied. In most cases, medical practitioners are required to undertake specific training or be affiliated with a specialised hospital unit to prescribe these medicines.
- Medical Practitioners who hold a \$100 prescriber licence are allowed to prescribe but not GPs who are not \$100 prescriber or NP who are \$100 prescribers

S100 Prescribing

Prescriber eligibility

To write HSD prescriptions, a prescriber must be a medical practitioner issued with a PBS prescriber number and meet at least 1 of the requirements in the following table:

must be:

- a staff hospital specialist, or a visiting or consulting hospital specialist affiliated with the public or private hospital unit
 - an accredited prescriber of HIV/AIDS medicine
 - a general practitioner or non-specialist hospital doctor who provides maintenance therapy under the guidance of a treating specialist
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must be:

- an accredited prescriber of HIV antiretroviral therapy, clozapine maintenance therapy or chronic hepatitis B therapy - community or hospital-

S100 Prescribing

- Section 100 Programs and include:
 - Highly Specialised Drugs Program
 - Efficient Funding of Chemotherapy
 - Botulinum Toxin Program
 - Growth Hormone Program
 - IVF Program
 - Opiate Dependence Treatment Program

Barriers to 90-90-90

- HIV is a chronic manageable condition
- Anti-retro-viral drugs are efficacious and safer than previous HAART and side effects can be monitored by a NP
- The cost of cART has significantly reduced since off-patent and generic versions are available
- Co-morbidities such as cardiovascular issues and endocrine problems can be managed by NPs in collaboration with a GP or Specialist
- For most PLWH monitoring is done every 6 months and if their CD4 is robust, they can even be monitored annually
- There are patient access issues to appointments: there are 240 S100 prescribers in Australia, most of them concentrated in CBD Sydney and Melbourne