

Republic of the Philippines Department of Health

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEDICINES RECOMMENDED FOR INCLUSION IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL FORMULARY (PNF)

As of 16 December 2021, the Health Technology Assessment Council (HTAC) has finished the assessment and deliberation on Emtricitabine + Tenofovir Disoproxil Fumarate fixed-dose combination as Oral Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) to reduce the risk of sexually acquired HIV-infection. The evaluation aims to appraise existing relevant information on (a) Responsiveness to Disease Magnitude, Severity, and Equity; (b) Safety and Effectiveness; (c) Ethical Legal Social Health Impacts (ELSHI); (d) Cost Effectiveness; (e) Affordability & Viability; and (f) Household Financial Impact.

The HTAC hereby makes public the **preliminary recommendation for the inclusion of Emtricitabine** + **Tenofovir Disoproxil Fumarate fixed-dose combination as Oral Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)** attached in the Evidence Summary with supporting studies informing their recommendation. All comments, inputs and/or appeals may be submitted until **30 December 2021** for consideration of the HTAC through email at https://documents.nip.gov.ph.

Should you wish to submit hard copies of your submissions, you may drop them off at the 4th floor, Philippine Blood Disease and Transfusion Center, Lung Center Compound, Quezon Avenue, Quezon Avenue, Quezon City. Appeals shall no longer be entertained after the prescribed deadline.

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