

PMTCT Supervisory Checklist

Abbreviations & Acronyms

AIDS: Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

ANC: Antenatal Care

ART: Antiretroviral Therapy

ARV: Antiretroviral

CD4: Cluster Differentiation 4 cells – T4 helper cells

DBS: Dried Blood Spots

DNA: Deoxyribonucleic Acid

EID: Early Infant Diagnosis

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

HTC: HIV Testing and Counselling

MA: Medical Assistant

NACP: National AIDS/STI Control Programme

OI: Opportunistic Infection

OJT: On-the-Job Training

PCR: Polymerase Chain Reaction

PEP: Post-Exposure Prophylaxis

PHN: Public Health Nurse

PNC: Postnatal Care

PMTCT: Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV

TB: Tuberculosis



Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications	Very Good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
HIV Test Kit				4				
Shortage of test kits over the past	Yes: Shortage (specify duration of shortage)				1 - 2 months	≧ 3 months		
quarter	No: Had some in stock (specify the quantity in stock)	≧ 3 months stock	1 - 2 months stock	< 1 month stock				
Expiry date of test kits	Kits should be used before the expiry date	> 3 months to expiry	3 months to expiry	2 months to expiry	1 month to expiry	Expired		
Supply source of test kits	Describe how the k	kits are sup	plied:					
Management of test kits	Security & safety of test kits	Go	ood	Fair	air Unacceptable			
Syphilis Test Ki	t							
Shortage of test kits over the past	Yes: Shortage (specify duration of shortage)				1 - 2 months	≧ 3 months		
quarter	No: Had some in stock (specify the quantity in stock)	≧ 3 months stock	1 - 2 months stock	< 1 month stock				
Expiry date of test kits	Kits should be used before the expiry date	> 3 months to expiry	3 months to expiry	2 months to expiry	1 month to expiry	Expired		
Supply source of test kits	Describe how the k	kits are sup	plied:					
Management of test kits	Security & safety of test kits	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		ANO 4 -51

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Storage, Dispos	al and Cost of Tes	t Kits						
Storage of test kits according to national standard	Refer to storage condition provided by manufacturer	Go	ood	Fair	Unacceptable			
Disposal of expired test kits according to national standard	National standard	Go	Good		Unacceptable			
Cost of HIV/ Syphilis test per client	The cost of HTC and PMTCT is GHC 0.00	Free for all services				nt if there charges –		
Availability of Te	esting Consumable	es						
Syringes	No shortage	Some	Some stock		Shortage			
Needles or Lancet	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	tage		
Gloves	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		
Cotton wool	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	tage		
Disinfectant (Methylated Spirit, Soap, Parazone, etc.)	No shortage	Some stock			Shor	tage		
Other Consumables	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	tage		

Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications	Very Good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
ANC Register								
Appropriately filled	More than 95% of PMTCT register items are appropriately filled	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Timely submission of monthly return forms	Submit monthly return form by the 5th of each month	Report by 5th day 5 - 10th day			10 - 15th day	After 15th day		
Check TB screening data collation (check if TB screening tool is available)	Clients should be screened for TB	Clients are screened for TB (If client is TB suspect, what is the next procedure?) Clients are not screened (Explain why?)						
Are HIV positive mothers provided with ARVs at the facility or are referred for ARVs in another facility?	Specify:							
Human Resource	es							
Number of midwives working at the ANC	Number of staffs:							
Number of trained staffs in PMTCT	Participated in a PMTCT training within 3 years	MTCT training						
General commer	nts and suggestion	ıs						
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Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications		Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
PNC Register (A	re the HIV expose	d infants being identified?)		
Number of babies born to HIV (+) mothers and listed as being followed up	Check any documentation	Period: Number of babies born to HIV (+) mother: Number of babies listed as being followed up: Documentation checked:		
Number of babies started on ARV prophylaxis	Check any documentation	Period: Number of babies started on ARV prophylaxis: Documentation checked:		
Number of babies tested at 6 weeks (EID/DNAPCR)	Check any documentation	Period: Number tested: Number positive: Documentation checked:		
Number of HIV (+) babies (by EID) initiated on ART	Check any documentation	Period: Number of positive babies initiated (by EID) on ART: Documentation checked:		
Number of babies started on Cotrimoxazole	Check any documentation	Period: Number of babies started on Cotrimoxazole: Documentation checked:		
Number of babies tested at 18 months by antibody test	Check any documentation	Period: Number tested: Number positive: Documentation checked:		
Number of babies started on ART after 18-month testing	Check any documentation	Period: Number of babies started on ART after 18-month tests: Documentation checked:		

Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications	Very Good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
PNC Register (A	re the HIV expose	d infants	being iden	tified?)				
Coverage of counselling for HIV (+) mothers at PNC (Family Planning, Breastfeeding, Vaccination, etc.)		Regularly for all clients	Regularly for most (80 - 99%) of the clients	Regularly for some (60 - 80%) clients	Irregularly for some (< 60%) clients	Not done		
How are mother-baby pairs followed up?	Specify:							
Human Resourc	es							
Assess staff knowledge on Early Infant Diagnosis (EID) (e.g. How, where and when is EID done?)	Evaluate knowledge of the staffs	Very good	Good	Fair	Need some training	Immediately need training		
Number of staff trained to perform DBS (PCR). What is the calibre of staff (PHN, midwife, doctor, laboratory, MA)?	Number of trained staffs: Number of staffs actually perform DBS:							
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Delivery Register											
HIV status recorded?	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%					
Pregnant women of unknown HIV status being offered HTC?	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%					
Babies born to HIV (+) mothers given ARV prophylaxis?	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%					
Number of HIV-exposed infants who were given ARVs		Period: Number of HIV exposed infants: Number given ARV prophylaxis:									
How are referrals and/or follow-up of HIV (+) mothers and their babies done?											
Availability of HI	V Test Kits, ARVs ຄ	and other (consumabl	es							
Availability of HIV test kits at the labour ward	No shortage	Some	e stock		Shor	tage					
Availability of ARVs in the labour ward	No shortage	Some	e stock	k Shortage							
Other consumables	No shortage	Some	e stock		Shor	tage					

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Staff Knowledge										
Assess staff knowledge on ARVs and Cotrimoxazole prophylaxis for babies	Who is eligible for ART? When to start and stop? What to give? When do you give Cotrimoxazole?	Very good	Good	Fair	Need some training	Immediately need training				
Assess staff knowledge on PEP for healthcare providers	Is contact person available in the facility? Is protocol available in the facility?	Very good	Good	Fair	Need some training	Immediately need training				
Within how many hours are clients observed before they are discharged? Are there any challenges in keeping the mothers for 24 hours?		Very good	Good	Fair	Need some training	Immediately need training				
Human Resource	es									
Total number of midwives in labour ward	Number of staffs:									
Number of staffs trained in PMTCT (Type of training: OJT or structured training?)	Participated in a PMTCT training within 3 years	PMTCT training								
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Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications	Very Good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
How is PMTCT linked to ART clinic?	Specify the current	practice:						
PMTCT Register								
PMTCT register completed well (check if the current copy available)	More than 95% of PMTCT register items are appropriately filled	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Records storing (confidentiality and access to patient data)	The record kept in a safe place with lock	Kept in the drawer with the key locked where only medical staffs can access		Kept in the drawer where only medical staffs can access	Kept on the desk where only medical staffs can access	Kept on the desk where anybody can access		
Is there any computer for capturing clients' data? Any challenges with software?		No problem at all		Some problems but managed	Have a computer but not functioning	No computer		
Check ART folder (at the back of the folder) Is the baby's information recorded in the mother's folder?	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Number of HIV (+) mothers listed and followed up	Period: Number of HIV (+) Number of HIV (+) Number of HIV (+) Documentation che	mothers fol mothers pu	lowed up fo					

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PMTCT Register								
Coverage of follow-up for HIV (+) mothers	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Coverage of treatment (or prophylaxis) for HIV (+) mothers	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Number of babies born to HIV (+) mothers and listed as being followed up	Check any documentation	Number of			mother: followed up			
Number of babies started on ARV prophylaxis	Check any documentation		abies starte ation check	d on ARV p ed:	rophylaxis:			
Coverage of prophylaxis for HIV exposed babies	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Number of babies tested at 6 weeks (EID/DNA PCR)	Check any documentation	Period: Number to Number p Document		ed:				
Number of HIV (+) babies (by EID) initiated on ART	Check any documentation		f HIV (+) ba ation check)) initiated o	n ART:		
Coverage of treatment for HIV exposed babies after EID	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Number of babies started on Cotrimoxazole	Check any documentation		abies starte ation check	d on Cotrim ed:	oxazole:			

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PMTCT Register										
Coverage of Contrimoxazole for HIV exposed babies after EID	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%				
Number of babies tested at 18 months by antibody test	Check any documentation	Number te Number p	ested:		nat should b					
Coverage of testing at 18 months for HIV exposed babies	Target coverage: 100%	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%				
Number of babies started on ART after 18 months	documentation	Document	ation check	ed:	after 18-mo					
Assess staff's kr	nowledge and prac	tice on the	e testing of	f HIV-expos	sed babies					
When, how and by whom is EID (DBS) done? Any documentation to it?	Specify:	Specify:								
When, how and by whom is infant antibody testing (rapid test) done at 18 months? Any documentation to it?	Specify:									

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Storage of Druge	5							
Place	No direct sun light, Proper humidity, No rain drops, No dust	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Space	Enough space, Cleanliness	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Security	Securely locked	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Ambient temperature Check temperature log where relevant	Refer to storage condition provided by manufacturer	Good		Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Adherence Cour	seling							
Regular adherence counseling	Adherence counseling done regularly for all clients	Regularly for all clients	Regularly for most (80 - 99%) of the clients	forcomo	Irregularly for some (< 60%) clients	Not done		
Space for adherence counseling	Enough space available? Confidentiality & privacy secured?	Good		Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Logistics and Ot	hers							
Shortage of ART medications over past quarter	Yes: shortage (specify duration of shortage)				1 - 2 months	≧ 3 months		
	No: Some Stock (specify quantity in terms of months of stock)	≧ 3 months stock	1 - 2 months stock	< 1 month stock				
Supply source of test kits	Describe how the te	st kits are s	supplied:			V		

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Logistics and O	thers							
Supply source of ART medications	Describe how the A	RT medicat	ions are su _l					
Expiry date of ART medications	Medications should be used before the expiry date	> 3 months to expiry	3 months to expiry	2 months to expiry	1 month to expiry	Expired		
Shortage of OI medications over past quarter	Yes: Shortage (specify duration of shortage)				1 - 2 months	≧ 3 months		
	No: Some Stock (specify the quantity of stock)	≧ 3 months stock	1 - 2 months stock	< 1 month stock				
Supply source of OI medications	Describe how the O	l medicatio	ns are supp					
Expiry date of OI medications	Medications should be used before the expiry date	> 3 months to expiry	3 months to expiry	2 months to expiry	1 month to expiry	Expired		
General record keeping at site	Target: 100% complete	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Number of health personnel trained at Pharmacy		Number of Number of	f staffs: f staffs train					
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Area of Supervision	Means of Verifications	Very Good	Good	Fair	Bad	Very Bad	Best Practices & Problems Observed	Comments & Suggestions
State of Equipme	ent							
CD4 machine & other equipment: Number and back-ups	Specify the number	of the mac	hine and oth					
If the equipment not available, how are the investigations done for the clients?	Specify:							
Check maintenance records, calibration, storage, control, standards, etc.	Target: All machines are maintained according to the schedule	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
CD4 testing / control (daily or on particular day)	Specify the day:							
Reagents and Te	st Kits							
Shortage of test kits and reagents over	Yes: Shortage (specify duration of storage)				1 - 2 months	≧ 3 months		
the past quarter	No: Some Stock (specify the quantity in terms of months of stock)	≧ 3 months stock	1 - 2 months stock	< 1 month stock				
Supply source of test kits	Describe how the te	est kits are s	supplied:					

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Reagents and Te	st Kits							
Expiry date of test kits	Kits should be used before the expiry date	> 3 months to expiry	3 months to expiry	2 months to expiry	1 month to expiry	Expired		
Management of test kits	Kits should be supplied from NACP and stored safely	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Storage of test kits according to national standard	Refer to storage condition provided by manufacturer	Go	ood	Fair	Unacc	eptable		
Cost of HIV test per client	The cost of HTC and PMTCT is GHC0.00	Free for a	II services	Free for PMTCT services		some ment		
Cost of other baseline investigation (heamatology, chemistry, etc.)	The cost of HTC and PMTCT is GHC0.00	Free for a	ll services	Free for PMTCT services		some ment		
Availability of Te	esting Consumable	S						
Syringes	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		
Needles or Lancet	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		
Gloves	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		
Cotton wool	No shortage	Some stock			Shortage			
Disinfectant (Methylated spirit, Parazone, Soap etc.)	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		
Other Consumables	No shortage	Some	stock		Shoi	rtage		

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Infection Contro	1							
Adequacy of infection prevention methods for patients	Protect clients from infectious disease	Go	ood	Fair	Unacce	eptable		
Infection prevention and PEP of lab staff	Well trained	Very good	Good	Fair	Need some training	Immediately need training		
Data Managemer	nt							
General record keeping at laboratory	Target: 100% completed	100%	95 - 99%	90 - 94%	80 - 90%	< 80%		
Records storing (confidentiality and access to patient data)	The record kept in a safe place with lock	with the k where on	ne drawer key locked ly medical n access	Kept in the drawer where only medical staffs can access		Kept on the desk where anybody can access		
Human Resource	es							
Number of trained health personnel at laboratory in PMTCT related services Number of staff for PMTCT related services: Number of staff for PMTCT related services: Number of staff for PMTCT related services:								
General commer	nts and suggestions	5						Laboratory 3 of

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