

10.4 Mental health assessment and support

10.4.1	Women should have their mental health needs assessed postpartum and those assessed as having mental health issues should be referred to appropriate services in the Trust, community and/or voluntary groups without delay.	1D
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As discussed in section 4, mental health issues are common in the context of HIV and pregnancy. All women should be assessed as recommended in section 4.2. If there are concerns about postnatal depression, women should be linked to Trust community hub perinatal mental health services or referred to HIV liaison/community psychiatry for further assessment. Peer mentoring should be offered as additional support.

10.5 Contraception

10.5.1	Contraceptive needs should be discussed with all women, and ART may be changed to optimise a woman's contraception choice as long as the ART prescribed is fully active against the viral genotype.	1D
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Ovulation usually resumes at 6 weeks postpartum but may occur earlier in non-breastfeeding women. A plan for contraception postnatally should have been discussed in advance of delivery (see section 5.1.5) and revisited in the early postpartum period and at the 4- to 6-week follow-up. Women should be advised that it is possible to conceive before the first postnatal menses and therefore to use condoms if necessary until the postnatal review [11]. It is important to try to accommodate both the contraceptive and ART wishes of each woman. There are multiple ART agents available which do not interact with systemic oestrogens and/or progestogens such as all NRTIs, raltegravir, dolutegravir, rilpivirine and maraviroc. ART may be changed to optimise a woman's contraception choice as long as the ART prescribed is fully active against the viral genotype. A full guide to drugdrug interactions between ART and hormonal contraceptives is available at www.hiv-druginteractions.org.

10.6 Cervical cytology

10.6.1	Cytology should be scheduled 3 months post-delivery as per the Guidelines for the NHS Cervical Screening Programme 2016.	1C	
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As discussed in section 5, cervical screening is not routinely recommended in pregnancy but can be resumed, as per the Guidelines for the NHS Cervical Screening Programme 2016, 3 months postpartum [12,13].

10.7 Testing of partner and/or older children

10.7.1 For the woman newly diagnosed with HIV in pregnancy, testing of her partner and/or other children should be completed.

Postpartum follow-up may be an opportune time to revisit testing of partners and/or older children. A woman newly diagnosed in pregnancy should be counselled and supported regarding testing of her other children and partner, if appropriate and there are no other concerns (such as risk of intimate partner violence, see section 4). She should be informed that as well as significantly reducing her risk of vertical transmission of HIV [14], being on cART will also reduce her risk of sexual transmission. When her viral load is undetectable for 6 months or more she will not transmit HIV sexually; however, she should be advised to use condoms with her untested or HIV-negative partner until that time [15].

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11. List of abbreviations

3TC Lamivudine

ABC Abacavir

ALT Alanine transaminase

APR Antiretroviral Pregnancy Registry

APRI Aspartate aminotransferase-to-platelet ratio index

ART Antiretroviral therapy

AST Aspartate transaminase

AUC Area under the curve

AZT Zidovudine

BASHH British Association for Sexual Health and HIV

BCG Bacillus Calmette-Guérin

bd Twice daily

BHIVA British HIV Association

BV Bacterial vaginosis

cART Combination antiretroviral therapy

CHINN Children's HIV National Network

CHIPS Collaborative HIV Paediatric Study

CHIVA Children's HIV Association

CI Confidence interval

CIN Cervical intraepithelial neoplasia

CME Continuing medical education

CS Caesarean section

DAA Directly acting antiviral

EPPICC European Pregnancy and Paediatric Cohort Collaboration

FDA Food and Drug Administration

FDC Fixed-dose combination

FIB-4 Fibrosis-4 index

FSRH Faculty of Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare of the RCOG

GMC General Medical Council

GP General practitioner

HAV Hepatitis A virus

HBeAg Hepatitis B-e antigen

HBIG Hepatitis B immunoglobulin
HBsAg Hepatitis B surface antigen

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HBV Hepatitis B virus

HCG Human chorionic gonadotrophin

HCV Hepatitis C virus
HDV Hepatitis D virus

HSV-2 Herpes simplex virus type 2

IFN Interferon

lg Immunoglobulin

INR International normalised ratio

INSTI Integrase strand transfer inhibitor

IRIS Immune reconstitution inflammatory syndrome

LFT Liver function test

MDT Multidisciplinary team

NEC Necrotising enterocolitis

NICE National Institute for Care and Health Excellence

NIPT Non-invasive prenatal testing

NNRTI Non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor

NRTI Nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor

NSHPC National Study of HIV in Pregnancy and Childhood

NVP Nevirapine
od Once daily
OR Odds ratio

PAPP-A Pregnancy-associated plasma protein A

PCP Pneumocystis pneumonia
PCR Polymerase chain reaction

Penta Paediatric European Network for Treatment of AIDS

PEP Post-exposure prophylaxis

PI Protease inhibitor

PLCS Pre-labour caesarean section

PND Postnatal depression

POCT Point-of-care test

PrEP Pre-exposure prophylaxis

PTD Preterm delivery

r Ritonavir
RAL Raltegravir

RCOG Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists

RCT Randomised controlled trial

RR Relative risk



SR Systematic review

SROM Spontaneous rupture of the membranes

STI Sexually transmitted infection

T-20 Enfuvirtide

TD Tenofovir disoproxil salt

TDF Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate
TDM Therapeutic drug monitoring

TTN Tachypnoea of the newborn

VBAC Vaginal birth after caesarean section

VL Viral load

WHO World Health Organization

ZDV Zidovudine