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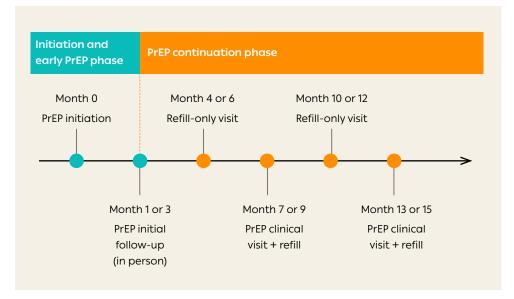
### **Example policy 7B**

Differentiated PrEP service delivery models, by PrEP method

The summary tables in Section 7B define differentiated PrEP service delivery models for the PrEP continuation phase for people suitable for reduced-intensity differentiated PrEP service delivery **by PrEP method**.

In less intensive PrEP models, PrEP refill-only and clinical consultation visits alternate (Figure 2).

# Figure 2: Timeline of differentiated PrEP service delivery by visit type



Where additional psychosocial support is indicated or requested by the person using PrEP, psychosocial support can be provided separately (for example, virtual support) or during PrEP refill-only visits (for example, when integrated within a support group environment).

It is important to note that reduced-intensity differentiated PrEP service delivery is not limited to the models outlined in the following tables. These models can be adapted or new models built using the building blocks in Section 6.

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	Individual models NOT b	ased at facilities	Individual models bas	ed at facility	Group models
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup>	Home delivery	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 3MMD	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 6MMD	Support group integrating PrEP <sup>c</sup>
Time on PrEP	1-3 months (after 1st initial in-person follow-up)		12 months	1-3 months (after 1st initial in-person follow-up)	
Building blocks	PrEP refills				
	3 monthly		6 monthly	3 monthly	
	Community point	At home	Health facility one-stop (pharmacy [HIVST only] or FP or OPD-HTS or AN		Community venue or home or health facility
🔒 who	Lay provider				
WHAT					
HIV testing	HIVST (community point self-test booth or home) or rapid test		HIVST (health facility self-test booth or home) or rapid test	1 rapid test + 1 HIVST (home 3 months later) or 2 HIVST (0m [self-test booth at facility or home] + 3m later (home)	HIVST (home or health facility self-test booth)
Service package	Effective use and disconti 3-month oral PrEP refill Referral to health facility o		,		1

	Individual models NOT be	ased at facilities	Individual models bo	ased at facility	Group models
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup>	Home delivery	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 3MMD	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 6MMD	Support group integrating PrEP <sup>c</sup>
Building blocks:	Clinical consultations				
	6 monthly			12 monthly	6 monthly
<b>R</b> WHERE	Health facility or community point supported by health facility mobile outreach		Facility service where PrEP initiation took place or service designated for PrEP continuation management <sup>d</sup>		Health facility or community point supported by health facility mobile outreach
🛉 who	Facility service-based nurse or outreach nurse		OPD or STI or FP or ANC or MCH or ART service-based nurse		Facility service-based nurse or outreach nurse
WHAT			·		
HIV testing	Rapid test			Rapid test + 1 HIVST (3m later home)	Rapid test
	Screen for acute HIV infection (refer to ART service if positive) Screen for and address side-effects Brief review of effective use and sexual risk counselling Discuss PrEP discontinuation and, if choose to discontinue, guide on appropriate approach to discontinuation STI screen and treatment Cr clearance (eGFR): >50 years/co-morbidity/previous result of <90 mL/min For women: FP assessment and aligned scripting				
	6-month PrEP script: 2x3-month PrEP refills Dispense 3-month refill			12-month PrEP script: 2x6-month PrEP refills Dispense 6-month refill	6-month PrEP script: 2x3-month PrEP refills Dispense 3-month refill
Building blocks:	Psychosocial support				
	Optional link to virtual pla	tform			3 monthly
<b>R</b> WHERE					Community venue or group member's home or population-specific health facility service (adolescent corners) or virtual platform
🔒 wно					Lay healthcare worker or trained peer
WHAT	Peer and/or psychosocial support Education on effective use, sexual risk, PrEP methods and discontinuation Demonstration and education on home HIVST and what to do if test positive for HIV				

## For vaginal rings

	Individual models NOT	based at facilities	Individual models based at facility	Group models	
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup>	Home delivery	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 3MMD	Support group integrating PrEP <sup>c</sup>	
Time on PrEP	1-3 months (after 1st initial in-person follow-up)				
Building blocks	PrEP refills				
	3 monthly				
	Community point	At home	Health facility one-stop fast-track service (pharmacy [HIVST only] or FP or OPD-HTS or ANC or MCH and/or ART <sup>d</sup> )	Community venue or home or health facility	
🔒 wно	Lay provider				
WHAT					
HIV testing	HIVST (community point self-test booth or home) or rapid test		HIVST (health facility self-test booth or home) or rapid test	HIVST (home or health facility self-test booth)	
Service package	Effective use and discontinuation check-in 3x vaginal ring Referral to health facility or nurse if necessary				
Building blocks	<b>Clinical consultations</b>				
	6 monthly				
X WHERE	Health facility or community point supported by health facility mobile outreach		Facility service where PrEP initiation took place or service designated for PrEP continuation management <sup>a</sup>	Health facility or community point supported by health facility mobile outreach	
🖡 who	Facility service-based nurse or outreach nurse		OPD or STI or FP or ANC or MCH or ART service-based nurse	Facility service-based nurse or outreach nurse	
WHAT					
HIV testing	Rapid test				
Service package	Follow PrEP clinical guidelines Screen for acute HIV infection (refer to ART service if positive) Screen for and address side-effects Brief review of effective use and sexual risk counselling Discuss PrEP discontinuation and, if choose to discontinue, guide on appropriate approach to discontinuation STI screen and treatment For women: FP assessment and aligned scripting 6-month PrEP script: 2x3 vaginal rings Dispense 3 vaginal rings				

	Individual models NOT	based at facilities	Individual models based at facility	Group models
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup>	Home delivery	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> 3MMD	Support group integrating PrEP <sup>c</sup>
Building blocks	<b>Psychosocial support</b>			
	Optional link to virtual platform		3 monthly	
				Community venue or group member's home or population-specific health facility service (adolescent corners) or virtual platform
🔒 wно				Lay healthcare worker or trained peer
WHAT	Peer and/or psychosocial support Education on effective use, sexual risk, PrEP methods and discontinuation Demonstration and education on home HIVST and what to do if test positive for HIV			

### For PrEP injectable

	Individual models NOT based at facilities <sup>f</sup>	Individual models based at facility			
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup> with injection administration	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> PrEP injectable			
Time on PrEP	3 months (after any lead-in completion)				
Building blocks	PrEP injection administration				
	2 monthly				
	Community points with injection administration capacity	Family planning service or dedicated injection administration room			
🔒 who	Private pharmacy nurse or outreach nurse or authorized trained provider <sup>e</sup> FP nurse or dedicated injection administration nurse				
WHAT					
HIV testing	Rapid test				
Service package	Effective use and discontinuation check-in 1x administer injection Referral to health facility/nurse if necessary				

	Individual models NOT based at facilities <sup>r</sup>	Individual models based at facility				
Model name	Community point <sup>a</sup> with injection administration	Fast-track <sup>b</sup> PrEP injectable				
Building blocks	Clinical consultations					
	6 monthly					
	Health facility or community point with health facility mobile outreach	Facility service where PrEP initiation took place or service designated for PrEP continuation management <sup>d</sup>				
🔒 wно	Facility service-based nurse or outreach nurse	OPD or STI or FP or ANC or MCH or ART service-based nurse				
WHAT						
HIV testing	Rapid test					
Service package	Follow PrEP clinical guidelines Screen for acute HIV infection (refer to ART service if positive) Screen for and address side effects Brief review of effective use and sexual risk counselling Discuss PrEP discontinuation and, if choose to discontinue, guide on appropriate approach to discontinuation STI screen and treatment For women: FP assessment and aligned scripting 6-month PrEP script: 3x injectable Administer 1x injection					
Building blocks	Psychosocial support					
	Optional link to virtual platform					
🔒 who						
WHAT	Peer and/or psychosocial support Education on effective use, sexual risk, PrEP methods and discontinuation Demonstration and education on home HIVST and what to do if test positive for HIV					

#### Notes:

- a Community points are private or community pharmacies/drug shops, vending machines, fixed community points (including CBO offices and key population drop-in centres) and mobile outreach (for example, to key population hotspots or youth centres).
- b Fast track: For the refill-only visit, the client should not need to report for registration or folder collection and should attend only one service point for a fast-tracked service with no need to see a clinician other than for injection administration.
- c PrEP refills can be integrated into existing support groups established for psychosocial support needs other than PrEP specifically or groups can be specifically formed to deliver and support effective PrEP use.
- d Service location/s should be considered from the PrEP user's perspective. Only providing PrEP services at the ART service has been reported to be undesirable among PrEP users. Consideration should be given to an alternative or additional facility service point.
- e Where a country allows contraceptive injectable to be given by a trained provider (other than professional nurse or doctor).
- f Injectable PrEP could also be provided at home by a mobile outreach nurse for specific target populations in settings with sufficient resource capacity.

### Abbreviations:

ANC - antenatal care; ART - antiretroviral therapy; CBO - community-based organization; FP - family planning; HIVST - HIV self-test; HTS - HIV testing services; MCH - maternal and child health; MMD - multi-month dispensing; OPD - outpatients department; STI - sexually transmitted infection

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