



GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT OF OPPORTUNISTIC INFECTIONS AND ANTI RETROVIRAL TREATMENT IN ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS IN ETHIOPIA

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- Before changing to second-line regimen, thorough assessment of the patient including possible reasons for treatment failure should be done in order to identify any problem related to treatment adherence. This is followed by treatment readiness assessment and patient education on adherence. Patients on second-line regimen should be monitored closely for adherence.
- In patients who have taken ARV therapy for six months or less when they come for treatment as new patients, the same regimen can be continued as long as there are no features of disease progression. If there are features of disease progression or ARV was taken for more than six months, patients should be assessed for treatment failure, at the appropriate level of facility.

