

# ANZPID GUIDELINES FOR POST-EXPOSURE PROPHYLAXIS (PEP) FOR BLOOD BORNE VIRUSES IN CHILDREN

*In all cases, contact Paediatric Infectious Diseases for advice on the need for PEP and to discuss follow-up.*

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**Print form, circle exposure and drug choice and include in medical record.**

## 1. Has there been significant exposure to recommend PEP for HIV?

Risk of HIV transmission = exposure risk x source risk

Exposure	Source risk ↓	Source		
		HIV-infected	High risk* MSM MSM-IVDU HPC	Low risk* Heterosexual IVDU Non-HPC
Exposure risk in children ↓	Transmission risk ↓	1	1/10	1/100
Receptive intercourse (anal/vaginal)	1/100	1/100	1/1000	1/10,000
Use of shared needle	1/100	1/100	1/1000	1/10,000
Insertive intercourse (anal/vaginal)	1/1000	1/1000	1/10,000	1/100,000
Oral sex - non intact mucosa	1/1000	1/1000	1/10,000	1/100,000
Oral sex - intact mucosa/other mucosal	Very low risk	Very low risk	Very low risk	Very low risk
Community acquired needlestick	Never documented	Very low risk	Very low risk	Very low risk

\*If HIV status unknown, assess high risk or low risk; sexual exposure risk is higher in children than adults due to increased risk of mucosal trauma, vaginal wall thinness and cervical ectopy

MSM = men who have sex with men (HIV prevalence in Australia 5-15%)

HPC = source from high prevalence country (sub-Saharan Africa: HIV prevalence in Australia 7%)

IVDU = intravenous drug use (HIV prevalence in Australia 1-17% - MSM-IVDU upper end of range)

### PEP is **recommended (3 drugs)** when:

Risk of transmission > 1/10,000

Risk of transmission = 1/10,000. **Recommend** discuss with ID and give PEP if uncertain

### PEP is **not recommended** when:

Risk of transmission is < 1/10,000

## 2. Recommended management following exposure to blood borne viruses

a) Investigations (with forensic management as necessary) as per potential exposure:

Test	Baseline*	6 wks	3 mths
HIV antibody	√	√	√
Hepatitis B anti-HB surface Ab, anti-HB core Ab, HB surface Ag	√		√
Hepatitis C antibody	√		√
STI investigations (eg urine PCR for chlamydia and gonorrhoea)	√		

b) Consider PEP (next page). \*Baseline bloods should *also* be collected from source if known. If source is HIV positive, request HIV viral load and resistance testing.

c) If anti-HBsAb level not protective (< 10 IU/L), administer hepatitis B vaccine 0.5 ml within 7 days (+/- HBV immunoglobulin (<30 kg 100 IU, >30 kg 400 IU) within 72 hours)

d) If male-female sexual exposure consider emergency contraception **within 72 hours**.

### 3. PEP medications

PEP (antiretroviral medication) should be started as early as possible after exposure, but has been shown to be effective **up to 72 hours** following exposure. Duration of PEP is **28 days**. Seek advice regarding drug interactions if on other medications.

A. Choice of PEP for weight under 35 kg		
<b>&lt;3 years</b> Preferred option: Zidovudine + Lamivudine + Kaletra		
<b>≥3 years</b> Preferred option: Zidovudine + Lamivudine + Raltegravir (if chewable tablets available) Secondary option: Zidovudine + Lamivudine + Kaletra		
B. Doses of drugs for weight under 35kg		
Medication	Formulary	Dose
Zidovudine (AZT)	Liquid: 10 mg/ml Capsule: 100 mg or 250 mg	4-<9 kg: 12 mg/kg BD 9-<30 kg: 9 mg/kg BD ≥30 kg: 300 mg BD (max)
Lamivudine (3TC)	Liquid: 10 mg/ml  Tablet: 100 mg or 150 mg *For 20-25kg can use 75mg AM 150mg PM if only have 150 mg tablets	4 mg/kg BD  14-<20 kg: 75 mg BD 20-<25 kg: 100 mg BD* ≥25 kg: 150 mg BD (max)
Kaletra® (LPV+RTV) Co-formulated	Liquid: Lopinavir 80 mg/ml + Ritonavir 20 mg/ml <b>Dose based on LPV</b>  Tablet: Paediatric Lopinavir 100 mg + Ritonavir 25 mg <b>Note tablet strength</b>	<15 kg: 12 mg/kg BD 15-40 kg: 10 mg/kg BD  <b>Using 100/25mg tablets</b> 15-<25 kg: TWO tablets BD 25-<35 kg: THREE tablets BD ≥35 kg: FOUR tablets BD
Raltegravir (RLT)	<b>CHEWABLE</b> tablets: 25 mg or 100 mg <b>These tablets are NOT bioequivalent to the 400mg Raltegravir tablet</b>  Tablet: 400 mg	11-<14 kg: 75 mg BD 14-<20 kg: 100 mg BD 20-<28 kg: 150 mg BD 28-<40 kg: 200 mg BD ≥40 kg: 300 mg BD  If >25 kg and can swallow tablets: 400 mg tablet BD
A. Choice of PEP for weight 35 kg or more		
Preferred option: Truvada + Raltegravir Secondary options: 1) Combivir + Raltegravir; 2) Combivir + Kaletra (or local PEP provision)		
B. Doses of drugs for weight 35 kg or more		
Medication	Formulary	Dose
Truvada® (TDF+FTC) Co-formulated	Tablet: Tenofovir disoproxil fumarate 300 mg + Emtricitabine 200 mg	ONE tab <i>once daily</i> <b>Not in renal impairment</b>
Raltegravir (RLT)	Tablet: 400 mg	ONE tab BD
Combivir® (AZT+3TC) or generic equivalent	Tablet: Zidovudine 300 mg + Lamivudine 150 mg	ONE tab BD
Kaletra® (LPV+RTV) Co-formulated	Tablet: Adult Lopinavir 200 mg + Ritonavir 50 mg <b>Note tablet strength</b>	TWO tabs BD

### 4. How to access medications

Contact local hospital pharmacy including out of hours. We recommend having PEP available in pre-dispensed packs in Emergency drug cupboard for young people ≥35 kg.

### 5. Organising follow up

Arrange for appropriate follow-up within one week (ID/paediatrician/forensic service).  
If risk determined to be low and no PEP given, review can be at 6 weeks if family happy.