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Dated: 01-12-2024

Subject: National Guidelines for Elimination of Vertical Transmission of HIV and Syphilis (EVTHS) 2024 and National HIV Counselling and Testing Guidelines 2024

Dear Sir,

As you are aware, HIV Counselling and Testing Services (HCTS) and the Elimination of Vertical Transmission of HIV and Syphilis (EVTHS) are critical components of India's National AIDS and STD Control Programme (NACP). These programs aim to enhance quality assurance, integration, and innovative strategies in healthcare systems to achieve the global 95-95-95 targets and contribute to ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030.

NACO has recently developed 'National Guidelines for Elimination of Vertical Transmission of HIV and Syphilis (EVTHS) 2024' and 'National HIV Counselling and Testing Guidelines 2024' to strengthen implementation efforts. These guidelines provide a comprehensive framework for improving service delivery for HIV Counselling and Testing, addressing Maternal and Child Health outcomes, and ensuring preventive interventions.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Federation of Obstetric and Gynaecological Societies of India (FOGSI) for its valuable representation and contributions during the Technical Working Group meetings held for the development of these guidelines.


To align efforts with your organization's role in reproductive and child health, we request FOGSI to:

- Widely disseminate the HCTS and EVTHS Guidelines 2024 to all its members and affiliated institutions.
- Conduct orientation and capacity-building initiatives to ensure widespread awareness and adherence to these guidelines.
- Regularly monitor the implementation of these guidelines in collaboration with State AIDS Control Societies (SACS) to maintain quality standards.

We look forward to FOGSI's leadership in strengthening healthcare systems to achieve the global goals of prevention of new HIV infections, early detection of HIV and eliminating vertical transmission of HIV and syphilis.

Thank you once again for your invaluable contributions and commitment.

With regards,


(Dr. Saiprasad P. Bhavsar)

Enclosures:

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We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Indian Academy of Paediatrics (IAP) for its valuable representation and contributions during the Technical Working Group meetings held for the development of these guidelines.

To align efforts with your organization's role in improvement of Health and well-being of all Children, we request IAP to:

- Widely disseminate the HCTS and EVTHS Guidelines 2024 to all its members and affiliated institutions.
- Conduct orientation and capacity-building initiatives to ensure widespread awareness and adherence to these guidelines.
- Regularly monitor the implementation of these guidelines in collaboration with State AIDS Control Societies (SACS) to maintain quality standards.

We look forward to IAP's leadership in strengthening healthcare systems to achieve the global goals of prevention of new HIV infections, early detection of HIV and eliminating vertical transmission of HIV and syphilis.

Thank you once again for your invaluable contributions and commitment.

With regards,

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We would like to express our sincere gratitude National Neonatology Forum (NNF) for its valuable representation and contributions during the Technical Working Group meetings held for the development of these guidelines.

To align efforts with your organization's role in advocacy, policy making, research and ensuring quality health care to new-born, we request NNF to:

- Widely disseminate the HCTS and EVTHS Guidelines 2024 to all its members and affiliated institutions.
- Conduct orientation and capacity-building initiatives to ensure widespread awareness and adherence to these guidelines.
- Regularly monitor the implementation of these guidelines in collaboration with State AIDS Control Societies (SACS) to maintain quality standards.

We look forward to NNF 's leadership in strengthening healthcare systems to achieve the global goals of prevention of new HIV infections, early detection of HIV and eliminating vertical transmission of HIV and syphilis.

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