LONG-ACTING INJECTABLE ART & PREP ROLLOUT: A FRONTLINE WORKERS' ROLE IN TEAM-BASED CARE APRIL 26, 2023





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# SF HIV Frontline Organizing Group Overarching Goals

- Building the capacity of HIV Frontline Workers to best support their clients
- Stimulating professional relationships in support of cross-agency collaboration
- Investing in workers' professional development and career growth





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# LAI ART & PrEP – A Frontline Workers' Role Learning Objectives

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- 1. Describe two ways an HIV Frontline Worker can support a client's success with an LAI treatment or prevention regimen
- 2. Name the two Long-Acting Injectable medications currently approved by the US FDA for HIV treatment and prevention
- 3. Identify two programs that pay for LAI treatment and prevention medications



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# LAI ART & PrEP – A Frontline Workers' Role CEUs (evaluation)

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- If you want CEUs as an LMFT, LCSW, LPCC, or LEP, you also need to complete a second evaluation. You will be redirected to that second piece once you complete the AETC evaluation online.
- CEUs are free!
- For SF HIV FOG, you will need to complete the short paper evaluation in addition

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# LAI ART & PrEP – A Frontline Workers' Role Agenda

- 12:30 Welcome, Housekeeping, Introductions
  - 1:00 Medical & Pharmacological Overview of LAI ART & PrEP
  - 1:30 LAI Logistics
  - 2:10 LAI Implementation from a Social Worker's Perspective
  - 2:40 LAI Administration
  - 3:10 Break (15 minutes)
  - 3:30 Small Group Breakout Sessions
  - 4:00 Small Groups Report Back
  - 4:30 End (fill out your evaluations!!!)



# Introductions





# Medical and Pharmacological Overview of LAI ART and PrEP

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# Exciting Options for HIV Treatment and Prevention

- Long acting injectable HIV Antiretroviral Treatment
  - Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine (Cabenuva)
  - ► For people with HIV
- ► Long acting injectable HIV Preventive Treatment
  - Cabotegravir (Apretude)
  - For people at risk of acquiring HIV by sexual activity

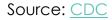
#### Prevention

What are the different pharmacologic options for HIV prevention?

- 2 Different Pills approved by the FDA for use as PrEP
  - Truvada (Tenofovir Disoproxil Fumarate (TDF) / Emtricitabine)
  - Descovy (Tenofovir Alafenamide (TAF) / Emtricitabine)
- I Shot approved by the FDA for use as PrEP
  - Cabotegravir

### Prevention: Comparing Options

	Truvada	Descovy	Apretude
Route	Pill/oral	Pill/oral	Shot/Intramuscular
Schedule	Daily or intermittent (2-1-1)	Daily	Every 2 months (after initiation doses 2 shots 1 month apart)
Efficacy	>99%	>99%	>99%
Approved for	People at risk through sex or injection drug use	People at risk through sex who are cis men who have sex with men and trans women (not for cis women)	People at risk through sex



#### Background

► IM Cabotegravir (APRETUDE) is an HIV-1 integrase strand transfer inhibitor (INSTI) indicated in at-risk adults and adolescents weighing at least 35 kg for PrEP to reduce the risk of sexually acquired HIV-1 Infection.

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► Individuals must have a negative HIV-1 test prior to initiating Cabotegravir for HIV-1 PrEP.

#### Background (cont)

Approval of Cabotegravir for PrEP was based on 2 large randomized double-blind doubledummy studies in which injectable CAB was shown to have superior efficacy to daily oral TDF/FTC in MSM and transgender women, and in cisgender women.

- HPTN 083 studied >4500 MSM and transgender women (12.5% were transgender women) at risk for HIV in multiple countries including the United States. It found a 66% reduction in risk of HIV infection compared with TDF/FTC (69% according to a reanalysis that eliminated one subject who was found to be infected at baseline); the incidence rate was 0.37% vs 1.22%, respectively. CAB appeared to be more effective than TDF/FTC in all subgroups including transgender women, Black individuals, and those age <30 years.</p>
- HPTN 084 studied >3200 cisgender women at risk for HIV in sub-Saharan Africa. It found an 88% reduction in HIV infections (90% after elimination of 1 infection found to be present at baseline) compared with TDF/FTC; the incidence rate was 0.15% vs 1.85%.

### Eligibility Criteria

- Patient is at risk for acquisition of HIV by sexual activity
- Adult or adolescent weighing at least 35 kg
- HIV negative with documented negative HIV Ag/Ab test result within 1 week before initial cabotegravir injection

- No signs/symptoms of acute HIV infection
- Patient expresses willingness and demonstrates ability to attend every 2month appointments to receive injections, and has reliable contact information
- Contraindications
  - Unknown or positive HIV status
  - Previous hypersensitivity reaction to cabotegravir
  - Coadministration with drugs that interact with cabotegravir (not common)

#### Dosage and Administration

Single dose vial of 600 mg / 3 mL cabotegravir injectable suspension for gluteal intramuscular injection

Package insert says that ventrogluteal injection is "recommended", dorsogluteal site is "acceptable"

Oral lead-in dosing may be used for approximately 1 month prior to injection to assess tolerability. This is optional and most patients elect to go direct to inject

#### Dosing Schedule



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Cabotegravir

### Lab Monitoring

- ▶ Baseline/1<sup>st</sup> Injection
- ▶ HIV test (Antigen/Antibody and Viral Load) at each injection

- STI testing every 1-2 injections
- ► After discontinuation:
  - ► HIV test every 3 months for 12 months total

#### Side Effects

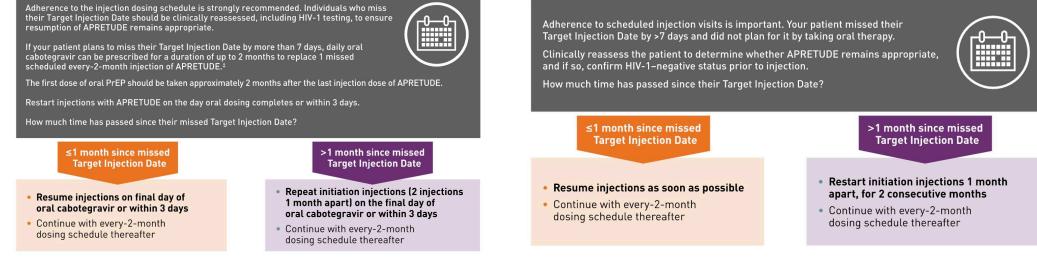
Most common side effect: injection-site reactions (38-82%)

- Diarrhea
- Headache
- Fever
- Fatigue
- Sleep problems
- Nausea
- Dizziness
- Myalgia

#### Missed Injections

- Recommend patients have oral backup regimen such as Truvada or Descovy or oral Cabotegravir (Vocabria)
- Recommended management of planned and unplanned missed injection

#### **Continuing APRETUDE After Planned Missed Injection**



#### **Continuing APRETUDE After Unplanned Missed Injection**

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Source: https://apretudehcp.com/dosing/



### Stopping Injectable CAB for PrEP

#### Very important to educate patients about the "tail"

- Cabotegravir can be present in body for up to 12 months after last injection, but levels will fall below level required for efficacy
- If exposed to HIV during that time, may acquire HIV and there is a potential for drug resistance
- Assess ongoing HIV risk and prevention plan when patient stops cabotegravir
  - If PrEP is still indicated, should take daily oral FTC/TDF (Truvada) or FTC/TAF beginning within 8 weeks after last injection
- Continue follow-up visits with HIV testing (Antibody/antigen and viral load) every 3 months for 12 months total

#### Treatment

Cabotegravir/Rilpirivine IM is the first and only complete long-acting HIV treatment regimen

#### Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine: Background

- Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine IM is an injectable medicine to treat HIV-1 infection in adults.
- Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine IM contains two different medications:
  - Cabotegravir is an integrase strand transfer inhibitor (INSTI)
  - Rilpivirine is a non-nucleoside reverse transcriptase inhibitor (NNRTI)
- Approved by the FDA for monthly use in January 2021
- Approved by the FDA for use every 2 months in February 2022
- It is approved for treatment for HIV-1 in virally suppressed adults and adolescents.
- It is not approved for initial therapy.
  - It can be used in ART-naïve patients after that are first treated with an oral regimen and achieve viral suppression.

# Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine: Background

- Studies which showed that CAB/RPV maintained viral suppression
- FLAIR: CAB/RPV given every 4 weeks in treatment naïve participants after they were virally suppressed with 20 weeks on DTG/ABC/3TC (Triumeq).
- ATLAS: CAB/RPV given every 4 weeks in treatment experienced participants who were suppressed on their current regimen for >= 6 months.
- ATLAS 2M: CAB/RPV higher dose given every 8 weeks in treatment experienced participants who were suppressed on their current regimen.
- SOLAR: noninferiority trial assessing switching virologically suppressed patients on BIC/TAF/FTC (Biktarvy) to CAB/RPV every 8 weeks versus staying on BIC/TAF/FTC

### Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine: Eligibility Criteria

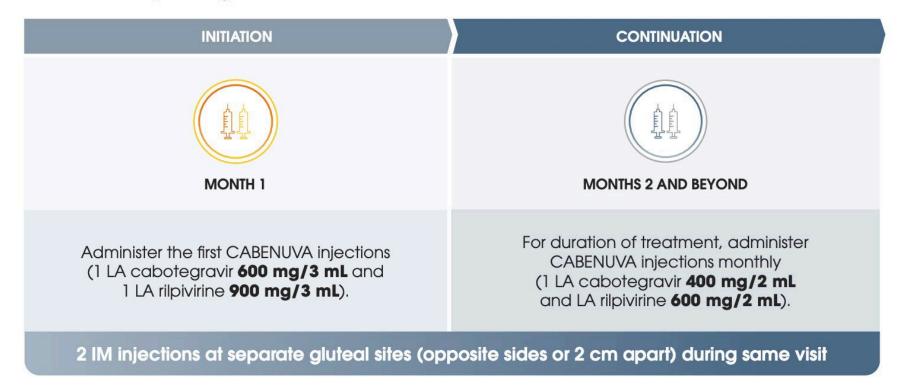
- Patients with HIV who have been virologically suppressed for the last 6 months (HIV viral load <50)</p>
  - > May consider in patients who are not virologically suppressed based on recent Ward 86 data
- Hepatitis B negative
- Not pregnant or breastfeeding (insufficient data)
- No history of known or suspected drug resistance to either of the two medications in the injection
- No prior hypersensitivity to either of the two medications
- Not taking medications which interact with cabotegravir or rilpivirine (more common than with cabotegravir for PrEP)
- Patient expresses willingness and demonstrates ability to attend appointments to receive injections, and has reliable contact information

# Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine: Dosage and Administration

- Two separate injections for gluteal intramuscular injection (one on each side)
  - > Package insert says that ventrogluteal injection is "recommended", dorsogluteal site is "acceptable"
- ▶ Higher dose Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine IM 3 mL Kit:
  - ▶ For initiation dose in monthly regimen
  - For continuation doses in every 2 month regimen
- ▶ Lower dose Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine IM 2 mL Kit:
  - for continuation doses in monthly regimen
- Must be refrigerated, cannot be removed until patient is present
- Oral lead-in dosing with VOCABRIA (cabotegravir) and EDURANT (Rilpivirine) can be used for about 1 month to assess tolerability prior to starting injectable Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine IM. This is optional and most patients skip it and do direct-to-inject.

#### Dosage Schedule

#### Once-monthly dosing schedule

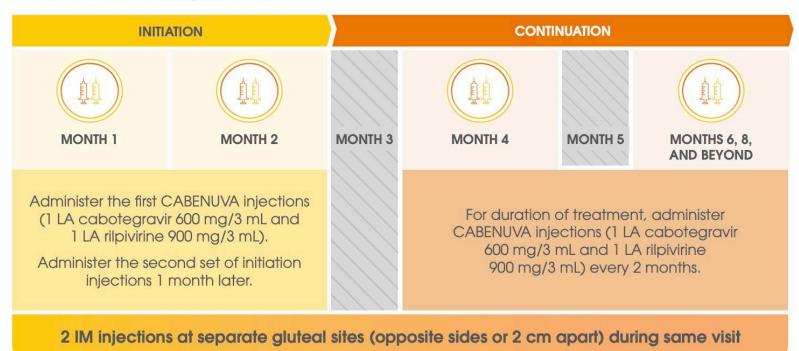


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Source: https://cabenuvahcp.com/dosing/

#### Cabotegravir/Rilpirivine: Dosage Schedule

#### Every-2-month dosing schedule



Source: https://cabenuvahcp.com/dosing/

### Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine: Lab Monitoring

- Baseline/1<sup>st</sup> Injection
- 1<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Injection
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Injection
- Every 3-4 months
- When switching between monthly and every 2 months

### Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine: Side Effects

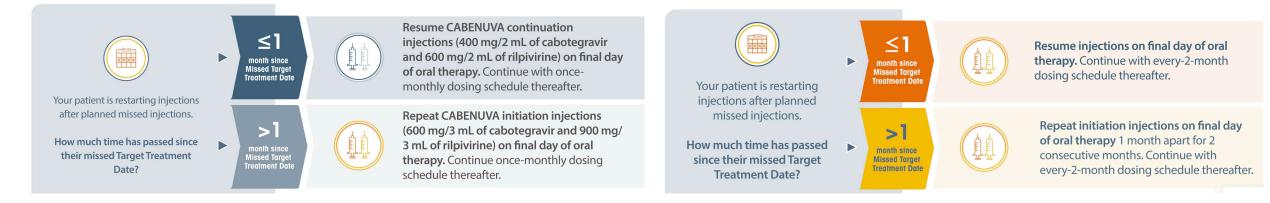
- Most common side effects: injection-site reactions (75-83%)
  - ▶ Injection-site reactions were mostly mild to moderate and lasted about 3 days
  - Less often the longer patients are on treatment
- Fever
- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle or bone pain
- Nausea
- Sleep problems
- Dizziness
- Rash
- Less than 4% of people stopped treatment due to side effects

Source: https://cabenuvahcp.com/safety/

### Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine: Missed Injections

- Recommend patients have oral backup regimen, usually their prior oral regimen
- Recommended management of planned missed injection for monthly and every 2-month injections

CONTINUING AFTER PLANNED MISSED INJECTIONS



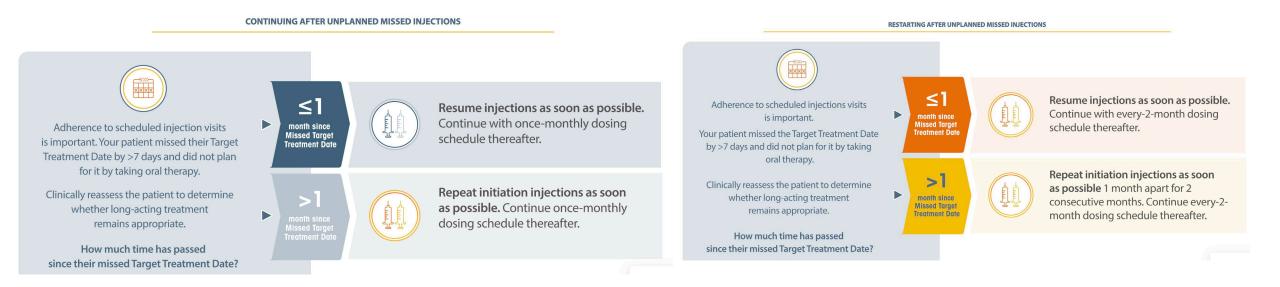
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**RESTARTING AFTER PLANNED MISSED INJECTIONS** 

Source: https://cabenuvahcp.com/dosing/

### Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine: Missed Injections (cont)

Recommended management of unplanned missed injection for monthly and every 2-month injections



#### Real World Data

 Long-Acting ART In a Safety-Net Population (Ward 86) – presented at CROI by Monica Gandhi, MD 36

- Between June 2021-November 2022, 133 PWH started on LA-ART
  - 76 (57%) suppressed on oral ART
  - 57 (43%) with viremia
- Diverse in race/ethnicity, substance use, housing, mental illness
- ▶ In those with virologic suppression, 100% remained suppressed.
- In those who were viremic, at median of 33 days, 55 suppressed, 2 had early virologic failure.
- 2 failures <24 weeks, both had minor mutations so protocol tightened</p>
- ▶ W86 cohort virologic failure rate 1.5% similar to that across clinical trials (1.4%) by 48 weeks
- The study findings indicate that long-acting injectable ART can benefit people who face many treatment barriers and are historically underserved, including those who are not able to be virologically suppressed on oral ART.

#### Source: <u>NIH</u>

### Summary

- Injectable options for HIV treatment and prevention give individuals more options and flexibility.
- Injectable Cabotegravir is highly effective for HIV prevention in adults at risk for HIV via sexual activity.

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- ▶ Refer to their provider for discussion and assessment of eligibility. Most will qualify.
- Injectable Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine is highly effective for HIV treatment in certain people with HIV
  - Refer to their provider for discussion and assessment of eligibility. This is complex and not everyone will be a good candidate.
  - It appears to be effective in safety net populations including people who are not virally suppressed (though currently only approved in those who are virally suppressed). Likely more to come soon on this.

### Resources

- <u>https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/basics/prep/about-prep.html</u>
- https://www.hiv.gov/hiv-basics/hiv-prevention/using-hiv-medication-toreduce-risk/pre-exposure-prophylaxis/

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- https://apretude.com/starting-apretude/faqs/
- https://www.cabenuva.com/costs-and-resources/faqs/
- <u>https://www.sfaf.org/collections/beta/whats-new-in-hiv-updates-on-long-acting-injections-for-prevention-treatment/</u>

# Thank you for all that you do!!!

## QUESTIONS?

# Logistics for Long Acting Injectables (LAI) for HIV and PrEP

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# Agenda

Insurance coverage (Medi-Cal, Medicare, ADAP, Healthy SF)

- Patient Assistance Programs
- Drug Acquisition
- Storage
- Panel Management

## Medi-cal Formulary

### https://medi-calrx.dhcs.ca.gov/home/cdl

Medi-Cal Rx Contract Drugs List Effective 04/01/2023



Drug Name	Dosage	Strength/ Package Size	Billing Unit	UM Type	Code I
Cabotegravir *	Extended-release intramuscular injection kit	600 mg/3 ml	ml		* Restricted to use as prophylaxis therapy in Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) negative patients at risk of acquiring HIV infection.
Cabotegravir/ Rilpivirine *	Injection Kit	400 mg/600 mg 600 mg/900 mg	ea ea	LR	* Restricted to use in the treatment of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) infection only. Restricted to NDC labeler code 49702.

- Both cabotegravir and Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine are covered as a pharmacy benefit
- Prescriptions must include diagnosis code known as ICD-10
- HIV B20, Z21
- PrEP Z20.2, Z20.6, Z11.3, Z11.4, Z71.7, Z79.899

Image Source: Medi-Cal Rx Contract Drugs List

## Medicare Coverage and Copays

- Most Medicare plans cover Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine, if not can be approved by prior authorization request
- Cabotegravir will require a prior authorization for Medicare
- The easiest way to submit a prior authorization request is electronically (i.e., covermymeds.com)
- Billing as a pharmacy benefit means a retail pharmacy will bill insurance and provide the medication
- Most low-income subsidized Medicare part d plans have small copays that may go down to zero after the first few months of the year once the deductible is met
- If eligible for ADAP patient pays zero
- Copay assistance for Medicare is also available through foundations such as Good Days Foundation (≤500% FPL)

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Manufacturer copays cards cannot be used for Medicare copays

### ADAP and Healthy San Francisco

https://cdph.magellanrx.com/cms/cdph/static-assets/documents/formularyand-documents/CDPH\_Formulary.pdf

### CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, OFFICE OF AIDS, AIDS DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CDPH/OA/ADAP) Formulary by Class

Effective Date: February 13, 2023							
	Generic Name	Brand Name	Restrictions				
	FUSION INHIBITORS						
^	enfuvirtide     Fuzeon     Clinical PA Required						
	COMBINATION TREATMENT						
	atazanavir/cobicistat	Evotaz					
	bictegravir/emtricitabine/tenofovir alafenamide	Biktarvy					
5	cabotegravir/rilpivirine	Cabenuva	Reimbursement for medication only, not administration				
	d	Desertion					

- Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine is covered by ADAP (patients renew coverage every 12 months on birthday)
- Healthy San Francisco covers provider visits and labs (renewed annually)
- For patients with Healthy San Francisco, Cabotegravir can be accessed through the manufacturer's patient assistance program<sup>4</sup>

Patient Assistance Program (PAP) **Application for** Apretude

Submit via fax or online www.viivconnectportal.com

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Healthy San Francisco is a health access plan not insurance so you can indicate "None" in the policy type section

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Source: Cabotegravir Enrollment Form

#### Injectable Prescription Information

This section of the form is intended as an optional way to prescribe. If your state restricts the use of this form to prescribe, or if this form does not meet your requirements to prescribe, please attach a prescription to this form. Prescribers may need to submit an electronic prescription to the specialty pharmacy.

#### Please check all that apply:

Prescription/Schedule	Medication	Quantity	Refills	Directions
APRETUDE 600-mg kit	600-mg single-dose vial of cabotegravir	1 dosing kit	1 refill	Month 1 & Month 2: 1 injection intramuscularly
APRETUDE 600-mg kit	600-mg single-dose vial of cabotegravir	1 dosing kit	PRN refills for 1 year or # of refills	Month 4+: 1 injection intramuscularly, every 2 months
		Diagnosis Code:	ICD-10 C	ode

#### 4 OPTIONAL Oral Prescription Information (Not required to start APRETUDE)

Only complete this section if your Patient will be taking the optional oral lead-in to assess tolerability. If your state restricts the use of this form to prescribe, or if this form does not meet your requirements to prescribe, please attach a prescription to this form. Prescribers may need to submit an electronic prescription to the specialty pharmacy.

Prescription/Schedule	Medication		Quantity	Refills	Directions	
Oral Lead-in (Dispensed only by TheraCom)	cabotegravir 30-m	ng tablet	30 tablets	None	Take 1 tablet t	y mouth daily
Ship oral medications to:	Prescriber's (	Office 🔲 Patient's Home Addres	is Other (Please	complete below) 🔻		
<ul> <li>Street Address</li> </ul>			City		State	ZIP Code
Prescriber Inform	hation (REQUIRI	ED)				
First Name	Last N	ame	Practice Name	Office	Contact Name	
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		OR				
Supervising/Collaboratir	ng MD Name (Please	print, where required) OCollabo	rating Physician NPI (#	Nease print, where required)		

No need to send in separate prescription for the injection and oral lead-in (OLI)

• Use best follow up phone number

Source: <u>Cabotegravir</u> Enrollment Form

### 6 Injections Will Be Administered at:

lease check whe	ere the Patient's injections will be ad	ministered:	y Name	Contact N	Name
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	O AllianceRx Walgreens Pharmacy	O Coordinated Care Network	O Kroger Specialty Pharmacy	🔵 Walgreens Co	mmunity-Based Specialty
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• When using PAP the medication is only filled by Specialty Walgreens

• Provide proof of income or an attestation letter

Source: <u>Cabotegravir</u> <u>Enrollment Form</u>

## Drug Acquisition for Optional Oral Lead-in

- For patients who need oral lead-in for Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine or Cabotegravir known as Vocabria (brand name) is only available through TheraCom pharmacy
- TheraCom will provide both Cabotegravir and Rilpivirine tablets and can be sent to patient or clinic
- Locate in e-Prescribing systems, including SureScripts TheraCom 345 International Blvd Ste 200, Brooks, KY 40109. Phone: 1-844-276-6299 Fax: 1-833-904-1881
- In the pharmacy notes section of prescription can add "Opt out of ViiV services, oral lead in only. Deliver to \_\_\_\_\_"
- Fax patient med list and allergy information

### **Drug Acquisition for LAI**

### Injections can be acquired through specialty pharmacies and delivered to clinic

O Accredo Health Group Inc	O Avita Pharmacy	O Curant Health	O Mail-Meds Clinical Pharmacy
AHF Pharmacy	CenterWell Specialty Pharmacy	O CVS Specialty	Optum Specialty Pharmacy
O AllianceRx Walgreens Pharmacy	O Coordinated Care Network	O Kroger Specialty Pharmacy	O Walgreens Community-Based Specialty

- Utilizing community specialty pharmacies may help facilitate access and avoid delays
- Specialty pharmacies will manage refills and deliver to clinic
- Identify at least 2 pharmacies your site can use in case of any issues

## Storage

- Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine must be stored in the refrigerator at 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) in the original box
- Pharmacies will ship the medication in cooler to maintain appropriate temperature
- Deliveries should be stored right away
- Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine must sit out for 15 minutes before it can be administered
- Cabotegravir does not require refrigeration and must be stored at 2°C to 25°C (36°F to 77°F) in the original carton until ready to use

### Panel Management

- Keep a master list (i.e., Excel) of patients referred and check drug coverage
- Keep a current list in EMR of patients on injections
- Sync with other co-administered injections and/or provider visits
- Reminder calls/text/emails/mail to patient or alternate contacts up to 1 week ahead
- Monitor injection appointments daily and keep track of when labs are due
- For missed appointments contact patient to re-schedule
- Notify provider and staff for support contacting patient as needed and for potentially late injections
- Check in with patient when they present before taking medication out of fridge or prepping
- Periodically check in with pharmacy for med delivery confirmation & upcoming holidays
- Weekly stock check to confirm med in stock for appointment
- Meet with LAI team periodically to review

## Thank you

Any questions feel free to reach out Email: francis.mayorga-munoz@ucsf.edu

# **Interactive Stand & Stretch Break**

Say hello to someone you've spoken with on the phone, texted, emailed, or Zoomed with but haven't yet seen in the flesh









# How to LAI

### A Guide for talking injections.

### Rodrigo Avila, ASW/MSW





Open Questions E.G. How are you doing with your meds?

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# Motivational Interviewing

Affirmations E.G. I appreciate your firm stance to stay on pills

> Reflective Listening E.G. It sounds like you....

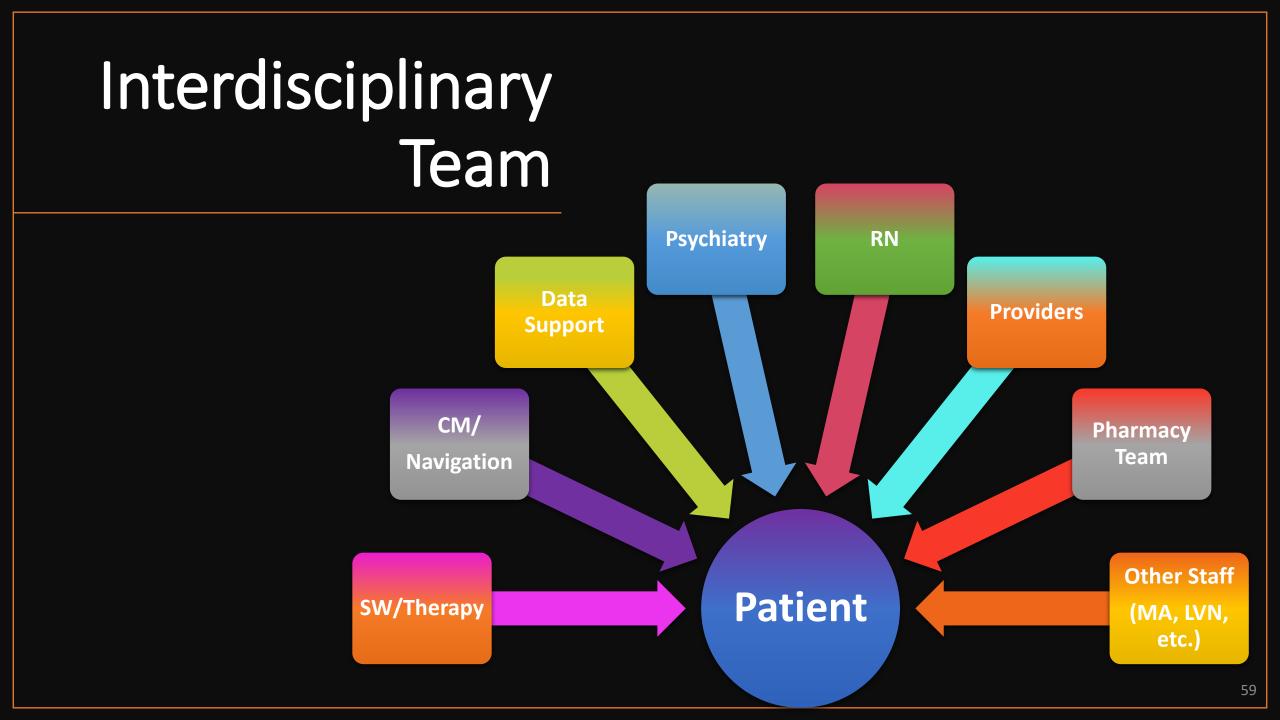
Summaries E.G. Let me see if I understand so far....

# Reasons for Opposition to Shots

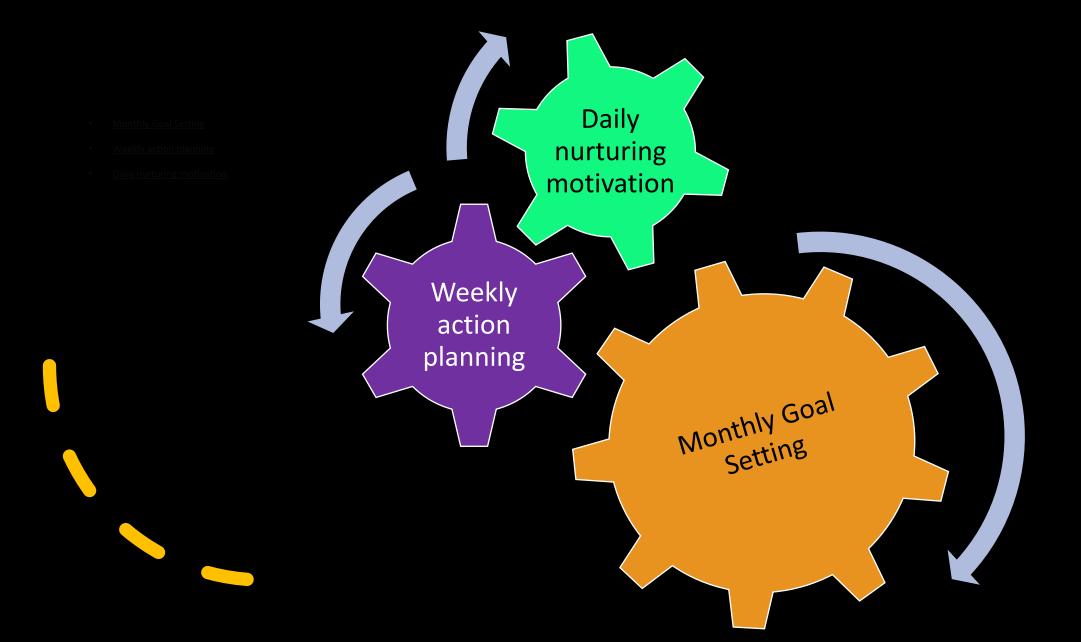


## Motivation Ecosystem





### Aligning Expectations and Enhancing Long-term Maintenance



Reflecting Reality

Establishing Need for Improvement	Active/Reflective Listening Understand Patient POV	Establishing goal/plan with patient
Providing Sensitive Feedback	Building/Continuity of collaboration with community support	Collaborate with patient on action plan

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## **Operations of LAI counseling**

✓ Need for Improvement	✓ Sensitive Feedback	✓ Collaboration	<ul><li>✓ Establishing Goal</li></ul>	<ul><li>✓ Action</li><li>Planning</li></ul>
<ul> <li>✓ CM client Check in</li> <li>✓ Mixed with SU Counseling</li> <li>✓ Psychotherapy</li> <li>✓ Co-visit with providers/RN</li> <li>✓ Developing discrepancy by</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Triage of priorities</li> <li>✓ Don't fight, but reflect reality</li> <li>E.G. "pills hurt less and your viremic and sick"</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Coop with nurses, maybe frequent nurse telephone reminders, check in on this</li> <li>✓ Provide anecdotal experiences from patients and assure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Short Assessments vs. Long</li> <li>✓ Coinciding Treatment goals E.G. addressing Depression</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Outreach and establishing routine</li> <li>✓ Checking in on PO med adherence or timeline for clinical review</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>increasing</li> <li>perception b/t</li> <li>present BH and core</li> <li>values.</li> <li>✓ Existing strengths</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Focus on Rapport, when pre- contemplative</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>proper education</li> <li>✓ Respect autonomy and be patient/empathy</li> <li>✓ Safety net Triage</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Addressing psychosocial barriers in daily routines</li> <li>Unified treatment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assisting with setting provider or RN appointments</li> <li>Follow up check-ins</li> </ul>

### Pause for Questions

1. What are other disciplines approach to patients not wanting to engage in care?

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- 2. How do you build rapport, while staying engaged in conversations about LAI?
- 3. Practice Reflections

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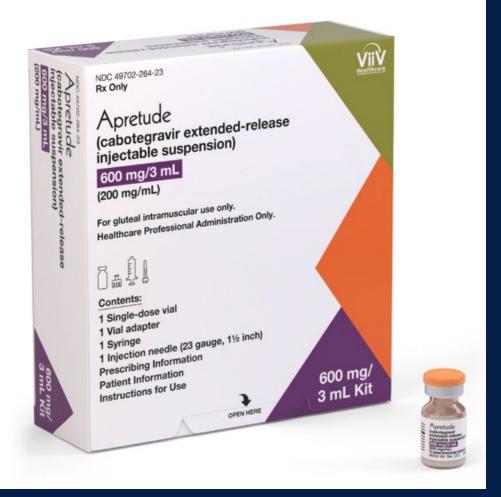


## Long-acting injectable ART in action: treatment & prevention

Christy Camp, RN, MSW Prevention Nurse Ward 86

### Just to reiterate... HIV Treatment = **Cabotegravir/Rilpivirine** HIV Prevention = **Cabotegravir**

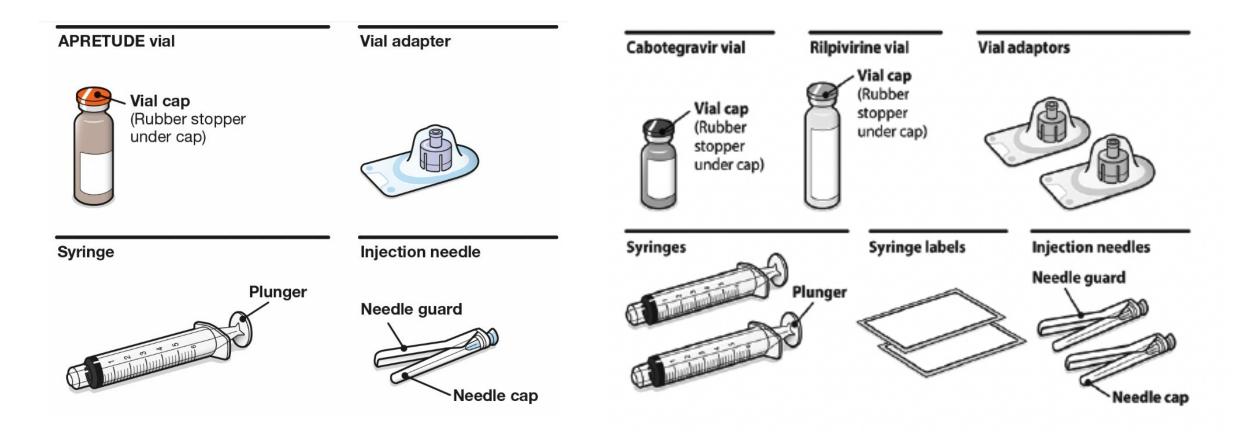




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### Photo (left): <u>Business Wire</u>

### What comes in the med kit?





## **Injection visits**

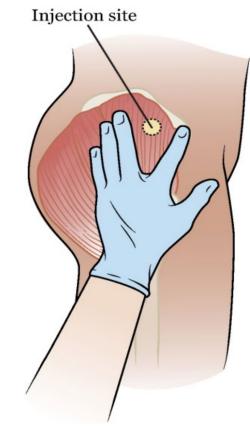
- Cabenuva thaws for 15 minutes
- Apretude does not have to thaw
- Lab work
  - HIV Treatment: HIV viral load
  - HIV Prevention: HIV test (variations in testing), HIV viral load, STI screening Q2 or Q4 months
  - Negative HIV test within 7 days prior to starting injectable PrEP
- Next injection appointment scheduled
- This process and workflow will look different at every clinic



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## **Injection Sites**





# Injection site (middle third) Vastus lateralis

**Vastus lateralis** 

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### **Dorsogluteal (booty)**

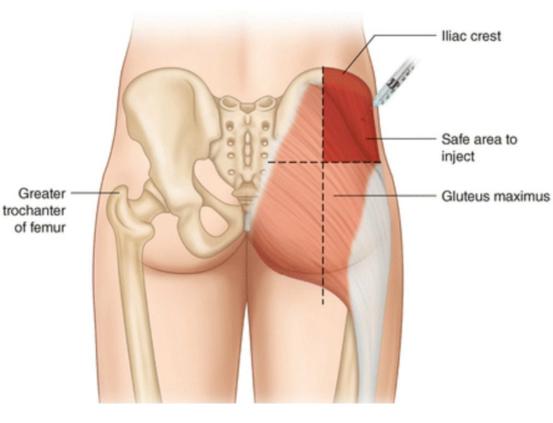


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## Side effects

### Prevention:



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- Injection site pain and tenderness, fever, body aches, headache, nausea, diarrhea, dizziness, sleep disruption
- In the clinical studies 38%-82% reported injection site reactions

### Treatment:

- Injection site pain and tenderness, fever, body aches, fatigue, nausea, headache, dizziness, rash, sleep disruption
- In the clinical studies 75%-83% reported injection site reactions



# Let's walk through a visit

- Nursing injection tricks 101:
  - Use cold packs, distractions
- Plan to manage injection site pain or soreness:
  - NSAIDS & heat
- Red flags:
  - Swollen, red, warm injections sites
  - Signs of an allergic reaction (rash, hives, shortness of breath)



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# Discussing LAIs with patients



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- Long acting injectables (LAIs) are not a guarantee for everyone, <u>they are a potential</u> <u>option</u>
- Non-medical staff talking points:
  - Serologies: HIV viral load, CD4/t-cell count
  - Pathways to be assessed for LAIs
  - Adherence support, assessing barriers/facilitators
- Why would someone not qualify for LAI treatment?
- Why would someone not qualify for LAI prevention?

## Equity issues & LAI uptake

- How does the concept of the 'ideal candidate' fail to address:
  - Ongoing viral burden among certain groups of people with HIV
  - Inadequate PrEP persistence & adherence
- General PrEP uptake, specifically among Black and Hispanic/LatinX people, compared to their white counterparts remains a gaping national disparity what does this mean for LAI PrEP?
- Financial barriers
  - ADAP/PrEP DAP
  - Medicare considerations
  - Patient assistance programs
  - Prior authorizations







## Let's connect

San Francisco

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- Reach out for anything PrEP related (referrals, questions, financing, etc)
- Ward 86 is taking specialty referrals (Medicaid or Medicare only)
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