

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

Acronym	Description
ABC	Abstinence, Be faithful, Condom use
ADAP	AIDS Drug Assistance Program(s) (U.S.)
ADC	AIDS Dementia Complex
AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
ART, ARV	Antiretroviral Therapy, Antiretroviral(s)
AZT	Zidovudine
U.S. CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (U.S.)
CNN	Condoms, Needles, Negotiation
DOTS	Directly Observed Treatment or Therapy Short-Course
ELISA	Enzyme-Linked Immunosorbent Assay
EMEA	European Medicines Agency (EU)
FDA	Food & Drug Administration (U.S.)
FDC	Fixed Dose Combination
FI	Fusion Inhibitor
GIPA	Greater Involvement of People Living with HIV/AIDS
Global Fund	The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria
GMAI	Global Media AIDS Initiative
GNP+	Global Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS
HAART	Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HRBA	Human Rights-Based Approach (to HIV)
IAS	International AIDS Society
IAVI	International AIDS Vaccine Initiative
IDU	Injection Drug User
ISC	International Steering Committee for People with AIDS
LIFE Initiative	Leadership and Investment in Fighting An Epidemic Initiative (U.S.)
MAP	Multi-Country HIV/AIDS Program (World Bank)
MDR-TB	Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis
MSM	Men Who Have Sex With Men
MTCT	Mother-to-Child Transmission
NAPWA	National Association of People With AIDS (U.S.)
NEP	Needle Exchange Program

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NIH	National Institutes of Health (U.S.)
NNRTI	Non-Nucleoside Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitor
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OGAC	Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator (U.S.)
OI	Opportunistic Infection
PAHO	Pan American Health Organization
PEP	Post Exposure Prophylaxis
PEPFAR	President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (U.S.)
PHI	Primary HIV Infection
PI	Protease Inhibitor
PLHIV	People Living with HIV
PLWHA	People Living With HIV/AIDS
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission
PrEP	Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis
RBM	Roll Back Malaria
SEP	Syringe Exchange Program
STD / STI	Sexually Transmitted Disease, Sexually Transmitted Infection
TAC	Treatment Action Campaign (South Africa)
TB	Tuberculosis
UN	United Nations
UNAIDS	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNFPA	United Nations Population Fund
UNGASS	United Nations General Assembly Special Session on HIV/AIDS
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VCT	Voluntary Counseling and Testing
WFP	World Food Programme
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
ZDV	See AZT