

Whose opinions matter?



Since HIV risk is so high for pregnant and breastfeeding women, PrEP should be rolled out for them <u>now</u>. (Don't wait for the research)

If DELIVER & B-PROTECTED are not approved, we can just wait for other countries to do the research and accept their study results

The views of the community where the trial will happen are most important – if they don't think it's right, the studies should not even seek regulatory approval

OK – let's assume DELIVER and B-PROTECTED have been approved, in the end it's still the men (partners, husbands, fathers, male traditional leaders etc.) who will decide if a woman joins the studies

A woman should only be enrolled into the study if she has the involvement of or approval of her Partner / husband / baby daddy

Since we have ARV treatment for those who get infected with HIV and we have PMTCT to prevent HIV to babies – we don't have to worry if pregnant women get HIV

What about their rights?

Pregnant and lactating women should be able to reap the same benefits from the development of new therapies as other populations and have a right to the assurance that the therapies they are prescribed have been studied specifically to determine safety, efficacy, and appropriate dosing during pregnancy and the postpartum period.

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