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**A Webinar on Safer Conception and Pregnancy Options for Women and Couples with HIV
in Resource-Constrained Settings**
Tuesday February 26th, 8am EST; 1pm UCT/GMT; 4pm EAT Nairobi
60-90 minutes*

Please join us for a discussion about pregnancy options for women and couples with HIV. For HIV-positive or sero-discordant couples who want to conceive, the counseling and services they receive need to be tailored to their specific needs, which may vary from couple to couple. Some of the more technologically sophisticated strategies currently being examined to help couples living with HIV safely conceive and deliver may not be appropriate or feasible in many resource-constrained or rural settings. To help address these and other key issues, the Southern African HIV Clinicians Society developed guidelines on safer conception for fertile individuals and couples living with HIV in 2011. Combined with effective, rights-based counseling to elicit the pregnancy desires of clients, these types of guidelines can help policymakers, program managers, and providers better support clients living with HIV to achieve their fertility intentions. This webinar will address the current evidence on safer conception messages, options, and practices for women and couples living with HIV; the opportunities for and obstacles to widespread implementation of safer conception guidelines in resource-constrained settings; and the perspectives of women living with HIV regarding pregnancy desire and safer conception.**

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER/FACILITATOR
5 minutes	Participants log in	All participants
5 minutes	Welcome and opening remarks	Representative from USG
5 minutes	Overview of the topic	Tricia Petruney, <i>FHI 360/USA</i>
5 minutes	What do we know from the evidence, and what knowledge gaps remain?	Lisa Messersmith, <i>Boston University</i>
5 minutes	What do women living with HIV want and need from healthcare facilities?	Promise Mthembu, <i>ICW Africa</i>
5 minutes	How do the Southern African HIV Clinicians Society guidelines equip providers to provide comprehensive services to clients desiring pregnancy?	Linda Gail-Bekker, <i>Southern African HIV Clinicians Society</i>
30 minutes	Q&A for the speakers	All participants
30 minutes	Additional open, interactive discussion	All participants

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* Please note that the core content will be delivered within **60 minutes**. To ensure enough time for a substantive discussion, the platform will remain open and functional for an **additional 30 minutes**. All speakers and participants are welcome and encouraged to stay on the line and to contribute during this additional time.

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