Ministry of health

ALGORITHM FOR EARLY INFANT DIAGNOSIS FOR HIV EXPOSED CHILDREN

Well Child
(In under - five clinic)

Sick Child
(Manage presenting illness and stabilise)

Establish HIV exposure status at first under-five clinic visit or at sick visit
(Check mother's ANC card for HIV status; if none do HIV antibody test for mother or baby)

START COTRIMOXAZOLE (CTX) PROPHYLAXIS AT 6 WEEKS OD FIRST CONTACT AFTER THIS

If baby HIV exposed, do DBS at six weeks or any time the child is seen if still below 12 months. If > 12 months, do HIV antibody test.

HIV Positive

HIV Negative

Immediately refer to ART centre for evaluation for ART eligibility

HIV antibody test at 12 months

Re-inforce:
Infant feeding counselling, safer sex practices

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If no BF for at least three months, stop CTX prophylaxis

Last confirmatory HIV antibody test at 18 months

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