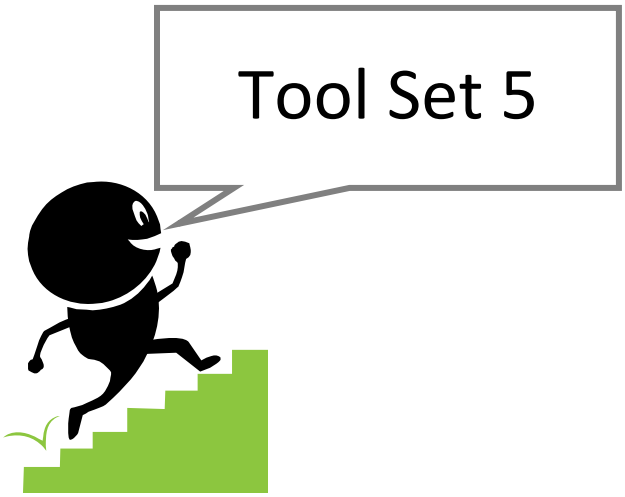

TOOL SET 5: LINKAGE AND INTEGRATION OF PMTCT AND HIV CARE AND TREATMENT SITE ASSESSMENT TOOL

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OVERVIEW

This tool takes implementation planners through a four-step process to assess the status of linkage and integration of PMTCT and HIV care and treatment at different areas of an individual site, including antenatal care, labor and delivery and postnatal care, adult HIV care and treatment, pediatric HIV care and treatment, social support services, laboratory, and pharmacy. It is critical that this tool be modified and adapted to individual country contexts in order for it to yield useful information.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this tool is to provide implementation planners with a systematic process to assess and provide specific feedback on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats associated with linkage and integration of PMTCT and HIV care and treatment in different service delivery points within a single site.

POTENTIAL USES FOR THIS TOOL

The data collected through the use of this site assessment tool can be used by implementation planners to conduct a targeted baseline assessment on the status of linkage and integration of PMTCT and HIV care and treatment. It can also be used by those engaged in implementation to monitor ongoing progress in this area. The data collected can then be aggregated with data from other sources, including patient registers and other site data collection tools, as well as site-level program data, country assessments, UNAIDS country data, donor reports, and other relevant sources. Implementers can then use the aggregate data to conduct a comprehensive analysis and identify key challenges, best practices, and actions needed to improve linkage and integration, as well as to track subsequent progress in this area.