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Interim guidance while abacavir/lamivudine, abacavir singles and lamivudine singles (2nd Line) are out of stock

For patients on an ABC regimen:

- While both 3TC and ABC are out of stock, move patients on an ABC-containing regimen to a
 Combivir-containing regimen temporarily, 1-4 weeks. Even for those patients with
 contraindications to AZT, since any drug-induced anaemia or mitochondrial toxicities would
 be expected to take longer than this to develop. NB this is better than treatment
 interruption.
- If 3TC comes back in stock sooner than ABC does, an option is to move patients on an ABC-containing regimen to 3TC+d4T instead. Short-term d4T is a great option, **but** if also short of lamivudine to go with it, then rather use the options above.

For patients who had been moved to ABC during an acute kidney injury episode in the distant past, with normal creatinine, try back on a 3TC-Tdf-Efv (or equivalent)-based regimen again.

For all patients who are virally supressed, and none of the above alternatives are in stock, move on to typical 1st Line for short period (3TC-Tdf-Efv).

Interim guidance while Darunavir and Dolutegravir singles are out of stock (3rd Line)

- If Darunavir is out of stock, move patients to Lopinavir/Ritonavir
- If Dolutegravir is out of stock, move patients to Raltegravir

Please contact: sahivcs.org if you are unsure about what to do in the absence of these medicines