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<u>Interim guidance while abacavir/lamivudine, abacavir singles and lamivudine</u> singles 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. Take note, 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.