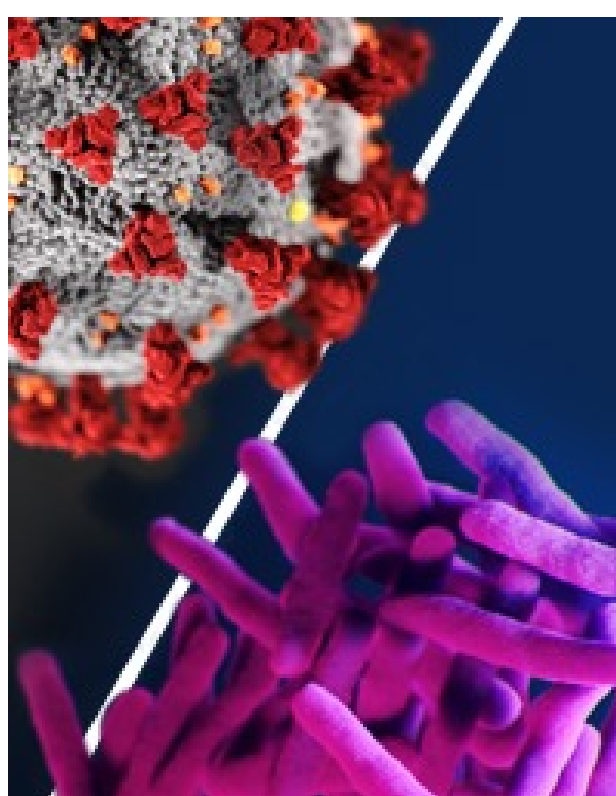




Global HIV and TB

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As we navigate the current COVID-19 pandemic, CDC and partners are working to protect the progress made in the fight against TB. By leveraging CDC supported public health platforms around the world, we are working to ensure quality TB services are not interrupted and remain essential. From innovative approaches to TB diagnosis and treatment, to safety procedures in health facilities, countries around the world are using lessons learned from the TB epidemic to fight this pandemic.

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Women Should Begin HIV Treatment Before Pregnancy

A new CDC study reveals that children born to mothers who start HIV treatment before becoming pregnant have healthier outcomes. Delaying treatment increases the odds of a mother transmitting HIV to her child. If a woman becomes pregnant before starting treatment, she should begin as soon as she can after conception. Authors of the study recommend expanding



Thembi's Story: Hope in the Epicenter of the Epidemic

Less than a decade ago, Eswatini had the highest HIV incidence rate in the world. In just five years the country was able to cut the rate of new HIV infections by nearly half, a dramatic transformation that shows how a country that was on the brink of extinction can achieve success in preventing HIV. Thembi's story, from her harrowing HIV diagnosis to full recovery, is similar to the story



Accelerating the Global TB Response Amidst COVID-19

Recently, Devex, a media platform for the global development community, hosted Dr. Lucica Ditiu, Executive Director of the Stop TB Partnership, and Dr. Susan Maloney, CDC Global TB Branch Chief, for a special conversation with Devex Associate Editor and Senior Reporter Adva Saldinger. The live-streamed conversation aimed to shine a spotlight on global TB efforts

HIV testing and treatment for all women who may become pregnant.

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of the country she calls home, one of hope and resilience that serves as a beacon for countless others.

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and how progress towards ending TB can still be made in the unprecedented era of COVID-19.

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News You Can Use: Global HIV & TB Resources for You!

CDC offers a range of compelling, downloadable resources you can use on your own platforms to highlight the urgency and impact of fighting HIV and TB around the world. This quarter, we are excited to share with you [CDC's new social media cards](#) highlighting the importance of linkage to HIV treatment and care and prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV. Feel free to download and also share broadly with your networks!