HIV/ARV CARE FLOW

Recruitment
- Children of HIV+ adult patients (~90 %)
- Orphans (~10 %)
- PMTCT and in/out patient services (< 1%)
- Transfer from other ART programs (< 1%)

Pre-test counselling
- Group session - caregivers only
- Group session caregivers + children

Post-test counselling
- Individual - caregivers
- Individual - caregivers + children

First Assessment Consultation (n=672)
- Check caregiver/child treatment literacy
- Clinical staging
- CD4 count measurement
- Cotrimoxazole (CTX) prophylaxis started
- Treatment of opportunistic infections
- Family testing
- Evaluation of psychosocial situation

WHO criteria for ART

Pre-ART Consultation (n=315)
- Medical assessment
- Exclusion of tuberculosis
- Baseline blood tests
- Counselling/psychosocial assessment: two sessions with caregiver/child and one at home (if indicated)

Follow-up Consultation (q 1-3 mo) (n=357)
- Family-testing
- Clinical assessment
- CD4 follow-up
- CTX adherence and tolerance
- Counselling/literacy
- Referral for ART if criteria met

Start ART

Follow-up consultation (q 1-2 mo):
Children's and caregivers attend medical consultation and support groups on the same day.
- Clinical assessment
- Growth evaluation
- Follow-up family testing
- Psychosocial assessment: school, nutrition, stigma
- ART-tolerance, adherence
- Follow-up of CD4 count and viral load