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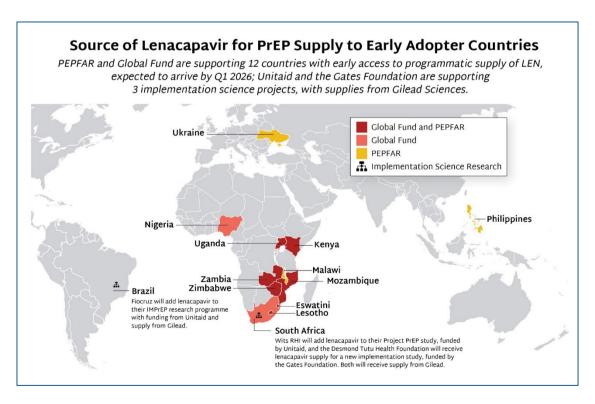




## Getting LEN Rollout Right: Resources and Tools Latest Update: October 2025

<u>Lenacapavir for PrEP (LEN)</u>, a six monthly injectable, was found highly effective at preventing HIV in two large clinical trials in 2024 and has since become the latest PrEP product to enter the market, following <u>approvals</u> by the US Food and Drug Administration, the European Medicines Agency (EMA), the South African Health Products Regulatory Authority, and <u>recommendation</u> by WHO. Submissions for approval are currently pending in Brazil, Kenya, Malawi, Zambia, and Zimbabwe, with 11 more submissions across Africa and Asia anticipated imminently, leveraging the EMA's positive opinion. In September 2025, the <u>Gates Foundation</u> and <u>Unitaid</u> announced partnerships with generic manufacturers (Hetero Labs and Dr Reddy's Laboratories, respectively) to achieve a price of \$40 USD/person/year for generic injectable LEN, due to become available in 2027 in the countries under Gilead's license territory (including 120 lower and middle income countries).

In July 2025, the Global Fund <u>announced</u> support to nine countries for early LEN adoption. In September PEPFAR <u>confirmed support</u> for seven of those countries and an additional three countries, bringing the total number of early adopter countries supported to 12. Both funders have jointly committed to reaching up to two million users with LEN over three years, starting in these countries. Unitaid, in coordination with CIFF, WHO, and implementing partners, is also actively supporting LEN introduction, including through implementation science programmes in Brazil and South Africa and through a Unitaid <u>call for proposals</u> launched in July 2025. Overall, these countries anticipate receiving LEN in early 2026, or even earlier in some cases- a <u>much faster timeline</u> than has been seen with previous PrEP products.



The resources below, alongside insights drawn from the report <u>Getting PrEP Rollout Right This Time</u>, can support countries in the early stages of LEN planning. These tools, and many others, are all publicly available on <u>PrEP Watch's Fundamentals of PrEP Planning pages</u> and are being disseminated as part of a coordinated effort between AVAC, CHAI, the Global Fund, PEPFAR, Unitaid, Wits RHI, and WHO under the <u>Coalition to Accelerate Access to Long-Acting PrEP</u> to streamline efforts on tool development. Further tools will be posted as they become available. Newly-added tools are indicated with a <u>red star</u>.

How can this support LEN rollout?

Tool

Category

| Category       | Tool   | How can this support LEN rollout?                                   |
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| Normative      | WHO guidelines on LEN for                                | WHO guidelines provide a basis for                                  |
| Guidance       | PrEP   | development of national guidelines.                                 |
| Normative      | Standard Operating Procedure                             | This adaptable SOP supports the                                     |
| Guidance       | (SOP) for LEN for PrEP                                   | development and adoption of national                                |
|                |  | SOPs that align with WHO LEN  |
|                |  | guidelines.   |
| Normative      | Template for technical working                           | This template can aid in setting up a                               |
| Guidance       | group (TWG) terms of                                     | TWG to develop national LEN   |
|                | reference  | guidelines.   |
| Normative      | Evidence from the PURPOSE                                | Evidence around use of LEN by                                       |
| Guidance       | trials shared at IAS 2025                                | adolescents and pregnant and lactating                              |
|                |  | populations, as well as around certain                              |
|                |  | drug interactions, can be incorporated                              |
| Diamainant     | D-ED #   | into local clinical guidelines.                                     |
| Planning/      | <u>PrEP-it</u>   | This web-based tool can help set PrEP                               |
| Monitoring and |  | (including LEN) targets, estimate costs                             |
| Evaluation     |  | and impact associated with targets,                                 |
|                |  | identify priority areas for PrEP for                                |
|                |  | adolescent girls and young women,                                   |
| Provider       | WHO and Ibnings Provider                                 | and forecast needed commodities.  This toolkit can be used to train |
| Training       | WHO and Jhpiego Provider Training Toolkit on Use of Oral | clinicians to provide multiple PrEP                                 |
| Training       | and Long-Acting HIV PrEP                                 | methods, including LEN.   |
| Provider       | Lenacapavir Provider Tools                               | These editable tools can be used to                                 |
| Training       | and Job Aids   | support providers to deliver LEN for                                |
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|                |  | counselling job aids, and charts to                                 |
|                |  | support initiation, injection, and                                  |
|                |  | switching.  |
| Site           | PrEP Site Implementation and                             | This assessment tool can be used to                                 |
| Assessment     | New Product Readiness                                    | evaluate and improve existing PrEP                                  |
|                | Assessment Tool  | services at a facility and to prepare for                           |
|                |  | the optimal delivery of new PrEP                                    |
|                |  | products, such as LEN for PrEP.                                     |
| Site           | Site readiness assessment                                | This adaptable template can be used                                 |
| Assessment     | template- coming soon!                                   | to determine which sites are ready to                               |
|                | _  | begin delivering LEN for PrEP.                                      |
| Site           | Facility-level checklist and                             | These tools can help ensure optimal                                 |
| Assessment     | SOP template- coming soon!                               | PrEP delivery at facility level.                                    |
| Community-led  | Training package for                                     |   |
| Support        | community and other non-                                 |   |
|                | clinical cadres- coming soon!                            |   |
| Community-led  | Adaptable templates and                                  |   |
| Support        | tools- coming soon!                                      |   |

| Monitoring and | WHO Consolidated Guidelines | These guidelines present a standard     |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---|
| Evaluation     | on Person-centred HIV       | minimum dataset, priority indicators,   |
|                | Strategic Information       | and recommendations to strengthen       |
|                |                             | data use across HIV prevention, and     |
|                |                             | can be used to develop LEN indicators.  |
| Monitoring and | HIV Drug Resistance (HIVDR) | This toolkit can assist ministries of   |
| Evaluation     | Monitoring Toolkit          | health, project implementers and policy |
|                |                             | makers develop HIVDR monitoring         |
|                |                             | strategies and support the collection   |
|                |                             | and testing of blood samples for        |
|                |                             | HIVDR testing amongst LEN for PrEP      |
|                |                             | users.                                  |

If there are other resources that you are already using that might be helpful to others, or if there is a resource that is not being addressed by the list above, please do let us know at <a href="mailto:prepwatch@avac.org">prepwatch@avac.org</a>.

Click here for more information and resources on LEN for PrEP.

## **Additional Selected Resources**

- <u>Tracking Lenacapavir Rollout</u>: online tracking tool of all the moving parts.
- Getting PrEP Rollout Right This Time
- Gears of Lenacapavir for PrEP Rollout
- Plan for Accelerating Access to Injectable Lenacapavir for PrEP