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Cost-effectiveness of three different Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) regimens for HIV prevention in Mexico

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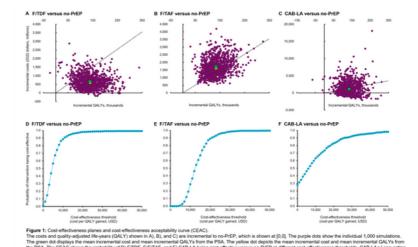
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BACKGROUND: Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) can be cost-effective in populations at high risk of HIV. While PrEP is the Mexico, evidence of its cost-effectiveness is lacking. Therefore, we analysed the cost-effectiveness of PrEP among men (MSM) and transgender women (TGW).

METHODS: We developed a Markov model to examine the impact of scaling up PrEP through government and communant TGW 15 years at high risk of HIV. Primary analysis evaluated generic emtricitabine-tenofovir disoproxil fumarate (I emtricitabine-tenofovir alafenamide (F/TAF), and long-acting cabotegravir (CAB-LA) versus no-PrEP. Secondary analys and CAB-LA versus F/TDF. The model was analysed from the healthcare perspective in a 15-year horizon (2022-2036). In quality-adjusted life-year (QALY) was compared against the national cost-effectiveness threshold (CET) of \$10,165 per (varied key parameters in sensitivity analyses.

RESULTS: Annual costs of F/TDF, F/TAF and CAB-LA were \$1,384, \$2,220, and \$1,384, respectively. If PrEP was scaled-up at 3 80% uptake, F/TDF would avert 57,150 HIV transmissions and yield 138,892 incremental QALYs with an additional cost of compared with no-PrEP. F/TAF and CAB-LA would avert 55,000 HIV transmissions, achieving 134,018 and 133,951 increme additional \$1.6 and \$1.2 billion costs, respectively. Compared with no-PrEP, the incremental cost-effectiveness ratio (ICE and CAB-LA were \$4,427, \$12,216, and \$8,955 per QALY gained, with an 89%, 30% and 63% probability of cost-effectivene respectively. F/TAF and CAB-LA were dominated by F/TDF. Results were robust to sensitivity analyses. Compared with F cost-effective at a maximum price of \$788 and in populations with higher HIV incidence.



CONCLUSIONS: PrEP scale-up can have a substantial public health impact in Mexico over the following 15 years. To be F/TDF, CAB-LA should be half the F/TDF price.