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# Abbreviations

AAAQ	Availability, accessibility, acceptability and quality of care services
ACT	artemisinin-based combination therapy
AIDS	Acquired immune deficiency syndrome
ART	Antiretroviral therapy
ARV	Antiretroviral
DALYs	Disability-adjusted life years
EBP	Evidence-based practice
FGM	Female genital mutilation
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
HPV	Human papillomavirus
HSV2	Herpes simplex virus 2
IPTp	Intermittent preventive treatment during pregnancy
ITN	Insecticide-treated mosquito net
IUD	Intrauterine Contraceptive Device
MDGs	Millennium Development Goals
MDR-TB	Multidrug-resistant tuberculosis
MTCT	Mother-to-child transmission
NCDs	Noncommunicable diseases
PEN	Package of essential noncommunicable
PEP	Post-exposure prophylaxis
PET	Practice questions–Evidence–Translation
SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SRMNCAH	Sexual, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health
STI	Sexually transmitted infection
TB	Tuberculosis
TBAs	Traditional Birth Attendants
UHC	Universal Health Coverage
UNAIDS	The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
UNFPA	The United Nations Population Fund

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