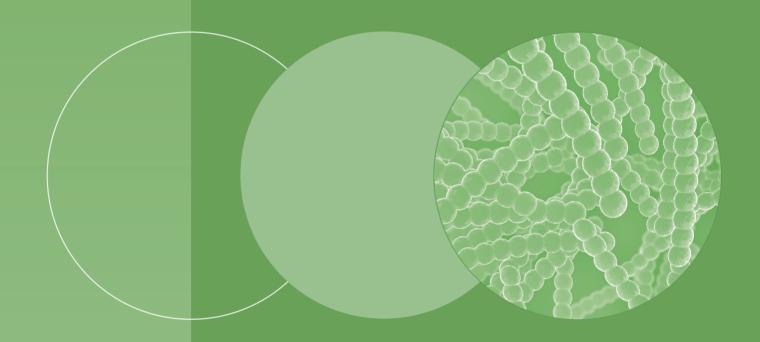
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#### **Acronyms and abbreviations**

CI confidence interval
CS caesarean section

EB evidence base

GBS group B Streptococcus

GDG Guideline Development Group

GRADE Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation

GREAT Guideline development, Research priorities, Evidence synthesis, Applicability of evidence, Transfer of

knowledge (a WHO project and international partnership)

hr hour

HIV human immunodeficiency virus

IM intramuscularIV intravenous

MCA [WHO Department of] Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health

MD mean difference

NICU neonatal intensive care unit

OR odds ratio

PICO population, intervention, comparison, outcome

PPROM preterm prelabour rupture of membranes

PROM prelabour rupture of membranes

RCT randomized controlled trial

RHR [WHO Department of] Reproductive Health and Research

RR relative risk

UK United Kingdom

USA United States of America
WHO World Health Organization

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