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**The future of HIV care should NOT
be led by primary care services**

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HIV

- Complex chronic medical condition
- Differs from other chronic conditions widely managed in primary care
 - Long term outcome is still unknown
 - Stigma
 - Confidentiality
 - Rapidly developing
 - Specialised tests



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Long term issues

- Co-morbidities
 - Cardiovascular disease
 - Liver disease
 - Kidney disease
 - Osteoporosis
 - Neurological manifestations
- What new issues are still to emerge?



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Patients

- Choice
- Confidentiality
- Stigma
 - Fear related to attending GP practice
 - Disclosure of status to GP
- Confidence in health care provider
 - Symptoms 'blamed' on HIV



- Quality of care
 - Knowledge, skills & experience
- Time constraints
- Research
 - Cohort data
 - Clinical trials
 - Access to new medication



Complex medical condition

- Co-infection
 - TB, HBV, HCV
- Drug-drug interactions
- Pregnancy
- Toxicity
- Drug resistance
- Adherence



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