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Position Statement

It is the position of the National AIDS and STI Control Programme (NAS COP) that efforts to optimize nutritional status, including medical nutrition therapy, assurance of food and nutrition security, and nutrition education are essential components of the total health care available to people with human immunodeficiency virus infection throughout the continuum of care.

Abbreviations and Acronyms

AED	Academy for Education Development
AFASS	Acceptable, Feasible, Affordable, Sustainable and Safe
AIDS	Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome
ART	Antiretroviral Therapy
ARV	Antiretroviral
BMI	Body Mass Index
CBO	Community-Based Organisation
CCC	Comprehensive Care Centre
CDC	Centres for Disease Control and Prevention
CNP	Critical Nutrition Practices
DASCO	District AIDS and STI Coordinator
DNA	Deoxyribonucleic Acid
FANTA	Food and Nutrition Technical Assistance
FBOs	Faith-Based Organisations
HAART	Highly Active Antiretroviral Therapy
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HMIS	Health Information Management System
IMCI	Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses
MOH	Ministry of Health
MUAC	Mid-Upper Arm Circumference
NASCOP	National AIDS and STI Control Programme
NGO	Nongovernmental Organisation
OI	Opportunistic Infection
ORS	Oral Rehydration Solution
PLHIV	People Living with HIV/AIDS
PMTCT	Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV
RCQHC	Regional Centre for Quality of Health Care
STI	Sexually Transmitted Infection
TB	Tuberculosis
UNAIDS	United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS
UNICEF	United Nations Children's Fund
USAID	United States Agency for International Development
VIPP	Visualization in Participatory Processes
WHO	World Health Organisation