What’s New

After the 2013 full guidelines release, the Panel on Opportunistic Infections in HIV-Exposed and HIV-Infected Children (the Panel) modified its process so that individual sections would be published as they were updated, allowing for more timely appearance of new recommendations. Each section will be marked with the date of its last update and the summary of changes will be listed below. For a full description of the Guidelines for the Prevention and Treatment of Opportunistic Infections in HIV-Exposed and HIV-Infected Children, see the updated Summary.

Additionally, the evidence review and recommendation rating system underwent major changes; this new approach is incorporated into sections as they are individually updated. As a result, topics not yet updated since the 2013 release reflect the former rating system, and sections updated since 2013 use a newer, modified GRADE system. A description of the methods of collecting and synthesizing evidence and formulating and rating recommendations appears in the Background and Recommendations Rating Scheme section.

Major section revisions within the last 6 months are as follows:

August 29, 2019

1. Cryptosporidiosis: There are no major changes to the guidance for the diagnosis and management of cryptosporidiosis in children and adolescents living with HIV. Minor updates to the main text of the section include additional information on epidemiology, clinical manifestations and new diagnostic methodologies, along with updated references and links to additional resources on preventive measures. The section has been updated to reflect the new recommendation rating system.

August 22, 2019

1. Giardiasis: There are no major changes to the guidance for the diagnosis and management of giardiasis in children and adolescents living with HIV. Minor updates to the main text of the section include information on new diagnostic methodologies and additional details on the approach to diagnosis when giardiasis is suspected but stool testing is negative. The section has been updated to reflect the new recommendation rating system and references were added.

February 8, 2019

1. Isosporiasis (Cystoisosporiasis): There are no major changes to the guidance for the diagnosis and management of Isosporiasis (Cystoisosporiasis) in children and adolescents living with HIV. The section has been updated to reflect the new recommendation rating system and references were added.