

## MTN-035 Data Communiqué #2 – April 14, 2020 **(UPDATED)**

**This is official study documentation for MTN-035. Please circulate it among relevant staff for their review, print it, and place it in your MTN-035 SSP Manual in the Data Communiqués section. This document is considered part of the MTN-035 SSP Manual.**

This is an updated MTN-035 Data Communiqué #2. Updates are included in **bold** text throughout the document.

A Protocol Deviation CRF will need to be completed when there is a deviation from the protocol for a visit resulting from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This could be when there is a partial visit and only some visit procedures are completed, when a phone visit was conducted when it would normally be an in-clinic study visit, **when study product is dispensed early/multiple study products are dispensed at a visit**, or any other deviation from the protocol due to this pandemic. This will be effective as of 27 March 2020.

### Protocol Deviation Log CRF completion:

#### **Item Specific Instructions:**

Field	Instructions
Site awareness date	Record the date the site became aware of the deviation. A complete date is required.
Deviation date	Record the date the deviation occurred (start date). A complete date is required.
Has or will this deviation be reported to local IRB/EC?	Select “Yes” or “No”. Note: If COVID-19-related PDs do not need to be reported to your local IRB, this can be marked “No”.
Has or will this deviation be reported to DAIDS as a critical event?	Select “Yes” or “No”. Note: If COVID-19-related PDs do not need to be reported to DAIDS as a critical event, this can be marked “No”.
Type of deviation	“Other” should be chosen for deviations occurring due to COVID-19. If there are other deviations unrelated to COVID-19, then add any additional deviations as appropriate.

Field	Instructions
Description of deviation	<p><b>Missed procedures:</b></p> <p>Begin the description of the deviation with “COVID-19” and then add additional details of what procedure(s) were missed; e.g., if it was a partial visit, if the visit was completed over the phone, etc. This will allow the SDMC to filter out these specific deviations. It will also document when a procedure was missed due to COVID-19 and help alleviate future QCs.</p> <p><b>Product dispensed early / multiple products dispensed:</b></p> <p><b>Begin the description of the deviation with “COVID-19” and then add additional details of what study products were dispensed at the visit. Only one protocol deviation log line is required to cover all products dispensed.</b></p>
Plans and/or actions to address the deviation	<p>Use this text field to enter any specific actions you wish to document and have a record of in the database.</p> <p>If multiple products were dispensed, confirm that participants were provided instruction on when to start and end each product use period.</p>
Plans and/or actions to prevent future occurrences of the deviation	<p>Since this is currently unavoidable, you can mark this as NA or Not Applicable.</p>
Deviation reported by	<p>Enter the staff code of the site staff person who completed the form. Sites will need to assign a four-digit staff code to each site staff person who will be completing this form. This list is created, maintained and kept at the study site.</p>

Pharmacy Dispensation Log CRF completion:

Date study product dispensed: Continue to enter the date study product was dispensed by the pharmacist. **A new log line should be completed for each study product dispensed even if they are dispensed on the same day.** If a site is dispensing more than one study product on a given day, please enter “multiple prescriptions dispensed on same day due to COVID-19” or similar on any date-related queries that fire.

***Please note that COVID-19 related protocol deviations are being recorded as deviations for documentation purposes only, and do not count against the site in any way.***