

Treating Infants Early Study (TIES)

Provider Information Sheet



Do you treat HIV-infected infants?

They may be eligible to participate in a research study run by Dr. Theodore Ruel at the University of California San Francisco. This is an observational study of infants who start HIV treatment early to learn how the virus responds, and to track safety. We hope this research will help doctors better understand how to treat HIV in babies.



Infants are eligible if they:

- Had two positive HIV (RNA or DNA) tests within the first month of life (or 1 positive HIV test, and 2nd test in process)
- Initiated regimen of at least 3 antiretroviral drugs by 6 weeks of age
- Are less than 12 months old

If patients decide to participate:

- The parent/guardian will sign a health information release form giving permission for you to share their baby's medical record with the study
- Birth mothers may also participate for a one-time phone call and one blood draw (they will receive \$115)
- You will periodically send medical record information to the study. Compensation is available for costs associated with this task.
- Patient parent/guardians will have monthly conversations with the study team, and infants will give between 3 and 6 extra blood samples per year shipped to UCSF for research. The study will pay patients approximately \$195 dollars every 4 months for participation
- Nothing will change about your patients' normal medical care. **You will continue to provide medical care as usual, no change or intervention is prescribed by the study**

Please contact Kristin (415)502-5500 or ties@ucsf.edu to get more information or to refer patients for the study