

Case Study 4

Marie is a 32 year old women from Ukraine. She is married and has 2 children both of which are HIV negative. Marie was diganosied HIV positive when she was 26 and has been on and off treatment since her diagnosis. Marie has had a lot of side effects with the former drugs Stocrin and Truvada. Marie has told you that she would like another baby but wants to ensure the baby is born HIV negative, but Marie is frightened of taking more medication because the side effects were so bad, she suffered from lack of sleep dizziness and feeling sick all the time.

What would you recommend to Marie?

Which treatments could be offered to Marie to prevent transmission?

Which tests should be done before commencing with treatments?

Are there any drugs that should not be used in Maries case?