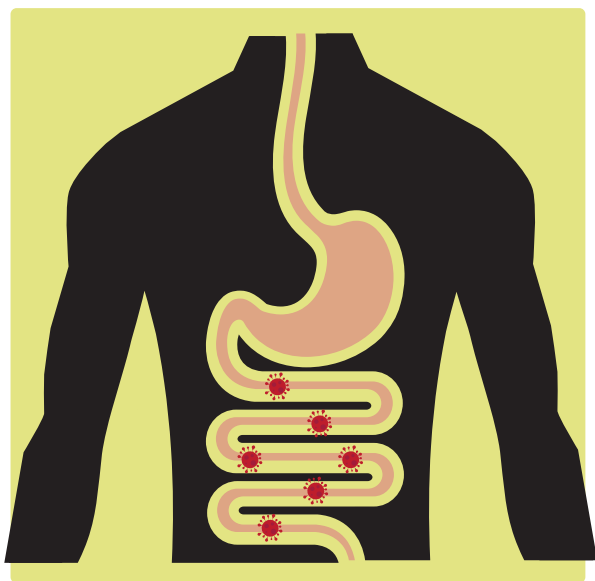


## PARASITIC DISEASES OF THE INTESTINE AND HIV



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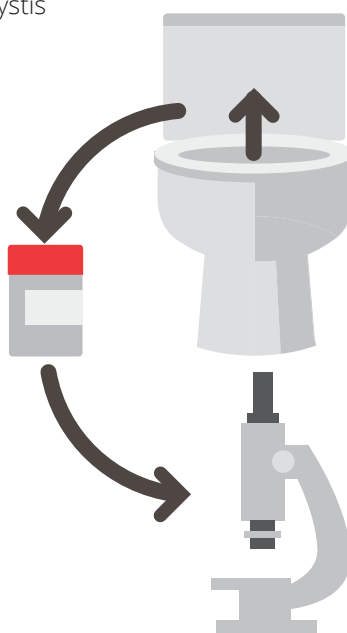
#### PARASITES AND THEIR SYMPTOMS

Infection with HIV can increase the risk of suffering some parasitic diseases. Most cause intestinal symptoms such as diarrhoea.

Diarrhoea prolonged over time that does not clear up and does not respond to treatment could be caused by intestinal parasites. To find out whether it is requires analysis of a stool sample.

Some of the most common intestinal parasites are:

- *Cystoisospora belli*
- *Cryptosporidium*
- Giardia
- Entamoeba
- Blastocystis



### 02

#### TRANSMISSION AND PREVENTION

Intestinal parasites are usually acquired through the consumption of water and foods contaminated with faecal material or through mouth-anus sexual contact

Prevention involves proper food hygiene, the consumption of potable water and the use of barrier methods in sexual intercourse involving mouth-anus contact.

### 03

#### IMPORTANT:

- All these diseases generally have effective treatments although relapses can be frequent.
- They may be more frequent, more serious and more difficult to treat if CD4 cell counts are low.

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