

Adoption of Health Technologies in India: Implications for the AIDS Vaccine

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Abstract

The effectiveness of a new health technology is judged by both its accessibility and also the extent to which it has been adopted in a particular country. With the possibility of an AIDS vaccine in the near future, the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI) has emphasised the need for countries to prepare well in advance for its smooth access and adoption. Reiterating IAVI's appeal, this book ably captures the course India needs to take for the successful adoption and implementation of the AIDS vaccine in India.

The first of its kind, this book examines the adoption of four health technologies in India- Hepatitis B, No Scalpel Vasectomy, Voluntary Counselling and Testing and Antiretroviral Treatment. Using a set of parameters, the authors not only bring to light the various dimensions, strengths and weaknesses of adoption of health technologies in India, but also how and where more attention needs to be paid with regard to the adoption of the AIDS vaccine.