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Timing	Dosing and Administration	Comments
Week 0 (month 0)	CAB 30 mg/RPV 25 mg once daily by mouth with a meal for 4 weeks	Optional oral medication lead-in
Week 4 (month 1)	CAB 600 mg (3 mL)/RPV 900 mg (3 mL) IM injection	Initiation dose: Administer on last day of oral lead-in or prior suppressive ART regimen
Week 8 (month 2) and every 4 weeks (every 1 month) thereafter	CAB 400 mg (2 mL)/RPV 600 mg (2 mL) IM injection	Maintenance dose: Administer within 7 days before or after scheduled date (see Managing Missed or Delayed Injections in full guideline)

Abbreviations: ART, antiretroviral therapy; CAB, cabotegravir (Vocabria); CAB/RPV LA, long-acting injectable cabotegravir/rilpivirine (Cabenuva); IM, intramuscular; RPV, rilpivirine (Edurant).

Note:

a. [FDA 2022]

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Week 8 (month 2)	CAB 600 mg (3 mL)/RPV 900 mg (3 mL) IM injection	Maintenance dose: Administer within 7 days before or after scheduled date (see Managing Missed or Delayed Injections in full guideline)
Week 16 (month 4) and every 8 weeks (every 2 months) thereafter	CAB 600 mg (3 mL)/RPV 900 mg (3 mL) IM injection	Maintenance dose: Administer within 7 days before or after scheduled date (see Managing Missed or Delayed Injections in full guideline)

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Notes:

a. [ViiV Healthcare 2022]

b. [FDA 2022]

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