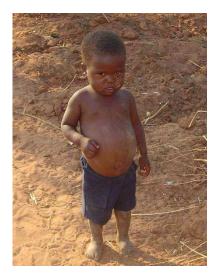
Integrated Management of Childhood Illness Caring for Newborns and Children in the Community



Facilitators' Guide

The sick child

Age 2 Months up to 5 Years

Identify signs of illness, and refer or treat the child

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Make sure that you have the full set of materials. **The Sick Child** of the course *Caring for Newborns and Children in the Community*:

- Manual for the Health Surveillance Assistant (spiral bound participant copy, and single-sided copy to go with the Facilitators' Guide)
- **Manual for the Health Surveillance Assistant** (spiral bound participant copy, and single-sided copy to go with the Facilitators' Guide)
- Facilitator's Guide
- Chart Booklet
- Sick Child Recording Form—with plastic cover
- Photo Book: Identify signs of illness
- Guide for Clinical Practice in the Outpatient Clinic
- Guide for Clinical Practice in the Inpatient Ward

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Overview of Agenda

Session	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Morning	Classroom: Opening Introduction of participants Introduction: Caring for children in the community	<i>clinic:</i> ASK: What are the child's problems? LOOK for signs of illness— chest indrawing, fast breathing, very sleepy or unconscious <i>Classroom:</i> LOOK for signs of severe malnutrition— Red on MUAC Tape, swelling of both feet	Practice in outpatient clinic:ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutritionDECIDE: Refer or treat the childDECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing
	<i>Classroom:</i> Greet the caregiver and child ASK: What are the child's problems? LOOK for signs of illness— Chest indrawing		<i>Classroom:</i> Introduction: Treat children in the community If no danger sign, treat child at home
Afternoon	<i>Classroom:</i> LOOK for signs of illness— Fast breathing, very sleepy or unconscious	<i>Classroom:</i> Decide: Refer or treat the child	<i>Classroom:</i> TREAT diarrhoea
Afternoon	Practice in inpatient ward: LOOK for signs of illness— chest indrawing, fast breathing, very sleepy or unconscious	Practice in inpatient ward: LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition	TREAT fever ADVISE on use of bednet TREAT fast breathing

Session	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
	Practice in outpatient clinic:	Practice in outpatient clinic:	Practice in outpatient clinic:
	ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition	ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition	ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition
	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child
	DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing	DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing	DECIDE (or TREAT): Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing
Morning	Record treatment	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines
		Record treatment and advice	For child referred, DECIDE: Pre-referral Record treatment and advice
	Classroom:	Classroom:	Classroom:
	Review (as needed): DECIDE: Refer or treat DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing	Review (as needed): DECIDE: Refer or treat DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing ADVISE: On home care and vaccines	Review (as needed): Begin pre-referral treatment and assist referral
	Classroom:	Classroom:	Classroom:
	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines FOLLOW UP the sick	If danger sign, refer urgently: BEGIN (pre- referral) TREATMENT and ASSIST	Summary exercises
	child	REFERRAL	
	Record treatment and advice		
Afternoon	Classroom:	Classroom:	Classroom:
	Follow up the sick child treated at home	Summary exercises	Practice your skills in the community
	Record treatment and advice	Use good communication skills	Closing

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Sample Facilitator Agenda

Day 1	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
8.00 - 9.00	Opening Registration Opening Remarks Introduction of participants Administrative announcements	Introductions		
9.00 – 10.15	Introduction: Caring for children in the community Situation analysis, Objectives, methods	Reading Discussion	1-5	
10.15-10.30	COFFEE BREAK			
10.30 - 11.00	Greet the caregiver and child	Reading Exercise	6-8	
11.00 – 12.00	ASK: What are the child's problems?	Reading Exercise Role play demonstration and practice	8-15	
12.00 - 13.00	LOOK for signs of illness Chest indrawing	Photo booklet discussion Reading Video exercise	16-19	
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00 – 15.00	LOOK for signs of illness Fast breathing Very sleepy or unconscious	Reading Video exercises	20-25	
15. 00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			
15.15 – 17.00	Inpatient ward: LOOK for signs of illness Chest indrawing Fast breathing Very sleepy or unconscious	Clinical practice (INPATIENT WARD)		

Day 2	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
	Outpatient clinic: ASK: What are the child's problems?	Clinical practice (OUTPATIENT		
8.00 - 11.00	LOOK for signs of illness Chest indrawing Fast breathing Very sleepy or unconscious Red eye	CLINIC)		
11.00 – 11.15	COFFEE BREAK			
One hour	Look for signs of Palmar pallor	Photo Booklet discussions Reading Exercise		
11.15 – 12.00	LOOK for signs of malnutrition Red on MUAC Tape Swelling of both feet	Photo Booklet discussions Reading Exercise	26-30	
12.00 - 13.00	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child (1)	Reading Exercises	31-33	
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14:00-15:00	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child (2) Looking ahead	Reading Demonstration and practice	34-42	
15. 00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			
15.15 – 17.00	Inpatient ward: LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition and Palmar pallor	Clinical practice (INPATIENT WARD)		

Day 3	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
	Outpatient clinic: ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition and Palmar pallor	Clinical practice (OUTPATIENT CLINIC)		
8.00 – 11:00	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child			
	DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing			
11.00 – 11.15	COFFEE BREAK			
11.15 – 13.00	Introduction: Treat children in the community	Reading Demonstration and	4.0	
	If no danger sign, TREAT child at home	practice	1-8	
	Check the expiry date of medicine	Exercise		
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00 – 15.00	TREAT diarrhoea: Give ORS	Reading Exercises	9-13	
15. 00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			

15.15 – 15:45	TREAT diarrhoea: Give zinc supplement	Reading, Exercise Role play	14-17	
15:45 – 16.30	TREAT fever: Give antimalarial LA ADVISE on use of bednet	Reading Exercise	18-22	
16.30 - 17.00	TREAT fast breathing: Give oral antibiotic	Reading Discussion	23-25	
	Treat red eye: Give antibiotic eye ointment			

Day 4	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
	Outpatient clinic: ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition	Clinical practice (OUTPATIENT CLINIC)		
	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child			
8.00 – 11:00	DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, fast breathing and red eye			
	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines			
	Record treatment and advice			
11.00–11.15	COFFEE BREAK			
11.15 – 13.00	Review (as needed) DECIDE: Refer or treat the child DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, fast breathing and red eye	Exercises		
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00-15.00	ADVISE: On home care ADVISE: On vaccines	Reading Exercises	26-32	
15.00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			
15.15 – 17:00	FOLLOW UP the sick child treated at home	Reading Exercises	33-37	
	Record treatment and advice			

Day 5	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
	Outpatient clinic: ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition	Clinical practice (OUTPATIENT WARD)		
	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child			
8.00 – 11.00	DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, fast breathing and red eye			
	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines			
	Record treatment and advice			
11.00 – 11.15	COFFEE BREAK			
11.15 – 12.00	Review (as needed) DECIDE: Refer or treat the child DECIDE: Home treatment for diarrhoea, fever, or fast breathing ADVISE: On home care and vaccines	Exercises		
12.00-13.00	If danger sign, refer urgently: BEGIN (pre-referral) TREATMENT	Reading Exercise	38-41	

13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00 – 15.00	ASSIST REFERRAL	Reading Discussion Exercise	42-50	
15.00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			
15.15 – 17.00	Use good communication skills	Reading Exercise	51-58	

Day 6	Торіс	Method	Pages in Manual	Facilitator
	Outpatient clinic (apply all training): Use good communication skills			
	ASK and LOOK for signs of illness and severe malnutrition			
	DECIDE: Refer or treat the child	Clinical practice		
8.00 – 11.00	DECIDE (or TREAT): Diarrhoea, fever, and fast breathing	(OUTPATIENT CLINIC)		
	ADVISE: On home care and vaccines			
	For child referred: Select (pre- referral) treatment to begin, and assist referral			
11.15 – 11.30	COFFEE BREAK			
11.30– 13.00	Review Putting it all together (assess skills)	Summary Exercises		
13.00-14.00	LUNCH			
14.00 – 15.00	Practise your skills in the community Closing	Reading Distribute supplies	59	
15.00–15.15	COFFEE BREAK			

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Item	Number	Comments
Overhead projector (for		Note: If there is access to an LCD
transparencies) and LCD	1 / room	projection system from the computer, it would be helpful (for videos); LCD system also may be used instead of transparencies with overhead projector
Computer	1 / room	(see above item)
IMCI Video (or DVD) Exercises	1 set / room	Parts 1 and 2—video or DVD, depending on equipment available
Flip chart paper	1 set /	
	room	
Masking Tape (for posting on wall)	3	For use in the classroom, clinic, and ward
Marking pens—various colours	6	
Note cards—3 x 5 or 4 x 6 coloured	50	
Name tags	1 / person	1/person = For each participant and facilitator
Carrying bag—to fit A4 materials, with 2-3 pockets for supplies (pencils, drugs, etc.)	1 / person	
Pens/pencils	2 / person	PLUS some extra pencils for the group
Paper pad (e.g. steno so pages do not separate)	1 / person	
Extension cords plus adapters	3	
Pencil sharpener, stapler, two-hole punch	1 set	
2-hole binders (notebooks)—4 cm depth (1 1/2 inches)	1 / facilitator/ Observer	For facilitator/observers
ORS preparation equipment: 1 litre (or 500 ml) common home measure (e.g. water bottle), bowl or other container to mix ORS (larger than 1 litre), mixing spoon	1 set/ each 2 participants	
ORS giving equipment: common cups, spoons	1 set/ participant	Spoons need to be metal to stir ORS, also used to crush tablets, with small spoons to give ORS and oral drugs
ORS carrying containers (common container with a lid, e.g. 500 ml plastic containers	1 set / each 2 participants	These can be less than 1 litre. They are for caregivers carrying ORS solution on trip to health facility or home
Dolls (or substitute)	1-3 / each 3 participants	Simple dolls used in training (if not available, use 3 towels instead for some or all of the dolls)
Medicine and supplies	· · ·	
Low osmolarity ORS packets	3 / participant	Provide extra if dispensed at health facility during practice

Equipment and Supplies

Item	Number	Comments
Zinc tablets	2 blister packs / participant	In 10 per blister pack - Provide extra if dispensed at health facility during practice
Antimalarial LA tablets	24 tablets/ participant	Provide extra if dispensed at health facility during practice
Antibiotic tablets (or oral suspension)	For 3 children/ participant	Provide extra if dispensed at health facility during practice
Paracetamol	36 tablets	
MUAC Tapes	2 / participant	
Medicine containers with expired and not expired dates (ORS, zinc, antimalarial LA, antibiotic), paracetamol tablets	6-12 / room	Sufficient examples to demonstrate checking the expiry date
Materials		
HSA Manuals, Sick Child Recording Forms, 10 Sick Child Recording Forms, 1 Plastic covered Sick Child Recording From, 5 Referral Note forms	1 set / participant	Note: See Annex C for a complete set of forms for copying
Facilitator Guide, Photo Booklet, HSA manual (single sided, not bound), Sick Child Recording Form, plastic-covered Sick Child Recording Form, Overview wall chart, other teaching materials listed in preparations for sessions	1 set / facilitator	
Timers	1/2 participants	1 / participant if timers will be given to each participant at the end of training
Certificates	1 / person	For participants and facilitators
Follow up in the community: Materials for community practice: extra Sick Child Recording forms, pencil, Referral Note forms, ORS, zinc, paracetamol, antimalarials and antibiotics	1 / participant Plus	If dispensing medicine in the community, provide more ORS, zinc, antimalarials, and antibiotics. The amount depends on the schedule for replacing medicine as it is used.
Anything else?		

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Location of IMCI Video Segments Used in the Health Surveillance Assistant Training¹

Demonstration or exercise—page in HSA Manual	Title of segment on video	Where to find it on video segment	Time
	How to assess a child with cough and difficult breathing: chest indrawing. (Demo Child 1 yes, Child 2 no because feeding)	About 5 min 49 seconds after start of tape section	6 minutes
Identify chest indrawing Page 20	(2) Assess chest indrawing (Child Mary No, Jenna Yes, Ho Yes, Anna No, Lo No)	DVD 1: Beginning	4 min 47 sec
	Review exercise: Chest indrawing (Child 1 Yes, 2 No, 3 Yes, 4 Yes, 5 No, 6 Yes, 7 No)	DVD 2:1 minute after start of section	9 Min
Identify fast breathing	Demonstration: Cough and difficult breathing—count breathing (Demo child Yes 90 BPM)	Beginning	4.5 minutes
Page 23	Exercise (Marno 4 years, 65 BPM, Yes; Wumbi 6 months, 66 BPM, Yes)	Beginning	5 minutes
ldentify a very sleepy or unconscious child	Demonstration: Danger signs (Not able to drink or breastfeed, convulsions, lethargic or unconscious)	Beginning	5 minutes
and other signs of illness Page 26	(1) Assess general condition: Lethargic (sleepy) or unconscious	Beginning	6 minutes
Look for swelling of both feet Page 31[Demonstration: Assess for ear problem. malnutrition, anaemia]—Oedema on the foot only		Oedema about 6 minutes after start of tape section	2 minutes
Use the MUAC and swelling of both feet tests to identify severe malnutrition A new video (not on the IMCI videos) demonstrates how the measure the mid- upper arm circumference (MUAC) and nutritional oedema (swelling of both feet)			

¹ This course temporarily uses video segments from the course on Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI) for First Level Health Workers. When it is ready, a video specifically for Health Surveillance Assistants will replace these segments.

The Manual covers *The Sick Child* age 2 months up to 5 years in the course *Caring for Newborns and Children in the Community*.

Who is a facilitator?

A facilitator helps participants learn the skills presented in the course **Caring for Newborns and Children in the Community.** The participants come to the course to learn the skills to be Health Surveillance Assistants (HSAs) who can manage children with childhood illness in the community, prevent childhood disease, and support families in the community who are trying to raise healthy, productive, and happy children.

In this course, you will demonstrate what a HSA needs to do, lead discussions, help participants practise skills and give feedback to them. You will also organize and supervise clinical practice in outpatient clinics and in the community. You will give participants any help they need to successfully complete the course and learn the skills that will help them care for children in the community.

The manuals, recording forms, and other materials structure the process of learning the skills the HSA will need. Your task is to facilitate their use of these materials.

For facilitators to give enough attention to participants in the course to learn information and skills, a ratio of one facilitator to 5 to 6 participants is recommended. Two facilitators work as a team with a group of participants.

Compared to other courses on the Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI) for first level health workers and hospital staff, this course requires more of the facilitator.

The facilitator will need to be skilled in demonstrating the tasks of the Health Surveillance Assistant and providing practice in each of the skills. This is necessary because the HSA works relatively independently in the community, often with little opportunity for close supervision. The HSA, therefore, needs to learn tasks through a variety of methods, and then practise the tasks as much as possible in order to help families in the community.

What do you do, as a facilitator?

As a facilitator, you instruct, motivate, and manage:

To instruct:

- Make sure that each participant understands how to work through the materials and what he or she is expected to do in each exercise.
- Answer questions and explain what seems confusing.
- Lead group discussions, video exercises, demonstrations, and role play practice.
- Assess each participant's work and contributions.
- Help each participant identify how to apply the skills taught in the course to their work in the community.
- In the clinical sessions, explain what to do, and model good clinical and communication skills.
- Give guidance and feedback as needed during classroom and clinical sessions.

To motivate:

- Praise participants and the group on improving their performance and developing new skills. Children in their communities will depend on the skills.
- Encourage participants to move through the initial difficulties of learning new skills, by focusing on steps in their progress and the importance of what they are learning to do.

To manage:

- Plan ahead and obtain all supplies needed each day.
- Make sure that movements from classroom to clinic and back are efficient.
- Monitor the progress of each participant.
- Work with the facilitator team to identify improvements to be made each day.

What can this Facilitators' Guide help you to do?

The Facilitators guide directs you through the classroom sessions. It indicates how to use the participant's *Manual for the Health Surveillance Assistant* (HSA Manual) and other materials. It describes the *objectives* of exercises and lists the *items to prepare* for the session. It guides you through the *process* of a session with the participants.

Important

The schedule for the three days is very tight (see Sample Facilitator Agenda).

Participants will learn best through the demonstrations, exercises, videos, and—most important—clinical practice.

If discussions go beyond the materials or unnecessarily repeat the materials, then participants will not finish the unit. This requires that co-facilitators organize and control the timing during classroom activities, transportation to and from clinical practice, and the breaks. To prepare yourself for a day:

- Read the Facilitators' Guide and the related material in the Manual.
- Meet with your co-facilitator to identify what the session requires and who will prepare for which activities.
- Gather and organize the supplies and other items needed for the session.
- Practise role plays, demonstrations, and other activities which are new for you.
- Identify possible questions participants may ask, and practise how you will answer them.
- When there is a clinic session, review the tasks to be done, and prepare the clinic staff. (See the Guides for Clinical Practice in the Outpatient Clinic.)
- Assist the clinical instructor in the inpatient ward, to help participants move through the activities and provide feedback.

Note: The HSA Chart Booklet is less useful for guiding the specific tasks of the Health Surveillance Assistant than the Sick Child Recording Form. Health Surveillance Assistants use the recording form to guide each step in caring for sick children referred or treated at home.

Hold the Chart Booklet until the end of the course. Pass it out during the closing ceremony to show how it summarizes all participants have learnt in the course. The flow charts will make more sense after participants have learned the tasks.

Introduction

Welcome participants. If there is a formal opening ceremony, introduce the guests. Complete the planned ceremony.

Then, introduce yourself and your co-facilitator. Write your names on the Flip chart. Indicate how you want participants to call you by underlining the name (e.g. Professor Kandi, or Mary, or Dr Kandi). State minimal information on your position (e.g. IMCI focal person at the Ministry of Health, National Malaria Programme Officer, UNICEF Health Officer, WHO National Programme Officer). More information about you and other participants will come out during the course.

Then ask each participant, one by one, to do the same. Ask participants to tell the group where they are from, whether they are currently a Health Surveillance Assistant, or what other responsibility they have in the community.

Ask facilitators and participants to write their names on a card tent or name tag, using cards and markers.

Administrative tasks

Make administrative announcements before the course starts. For example:

- 1. The daily schedule (when to start and finish the day, lunch breaks)
- 2. Facilities (lunch room, toilets, telephones, computers, copy machine)
- 3. Expected attendance (every day for the full session)
- 4. Reimbursement for travel and other expenses

Introduce the materials

Pass out the *Manual for the Health Surveillance Assistant*, one to each participant.

Select a participant to begin reading the **Introduction: Caring for children in the community,** on page 1. Ask the next participant to continue reading, going around the room.

For the rest of the manual and exercises, you will ask participants to read from the text in the Manual, sharing the reading task. Answer questions, as needed, providing concrete and brief answers.

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Exercise: Care-seeking in the community

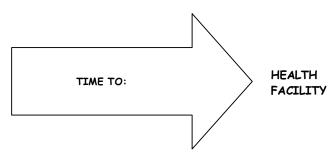
Objectives

This discussion introduces the importance of the HSA's role in the communities they serve. Participants will:

- Identify common childhood illnesses contributing to mortality.
- Identify typical care-seeking practices in their communities.
- Identify factors likely to influence whether families seek care for their sick children from a health facility.

Prepare

 Flip chart paper—draw one large arrow to the words HEALTH FACILITY (see example below). Leave room to record the distance for each in TIME TO (by foot and/or other modes of transport). Put the two charts on the wall where participants can write the time during the discussion. (If there is room, the charts can stay up during the course. You can refer to the charts, for example, when you are discussing the importance of assisting referrals to Health facility



- 2. Note cards, distributed around the tables for use, as needed.
- 3. **Tape, plastic tack,** or other means to post responses and Flip chart pages on the wall.

Process

- 1. For each question in the exercise in the Manual, ask the question and give participants time to think about their answers before you discuss them.
- 2. For questions 1 and 2, go around the room to get one response, on at least one question, from each participant. List the responses to question 1 on the Flip chart under the heading **Common childhood illnesses.** For duplicate responses, add a

tick $[\checkmark]$ for the listed illness. Star [*] the illnesses that children die from.

3. For question 3, ask participants to write on two note cards two places where families in their communities seek care for their sick children. (Put one item on a card.) Participants can add to the examples listed.

When they have finished, participants stick their cards on an Flip chart titled **Where families seek care.**

4. For question 4, ask a participant to indicate where families usually first seek care. Move that card to first on the list on the Flip chart.

Then, ask if any one else would want to move a different card first. (You might have 2 or 3 different responses.)

Lead a discussion on the reasons for their choices. Why do families in different communities choose to seek care from different places and persons? Identify, for example, whether families seek care from different places based on the child's illness or condition, or the distance, or the cost, or local traditions.

- 5. For questions 6 and 7, use the Flip chart you prepared. Ask the time it takes to reach the nearest health facility from their communities (on foot and/or by other modes of transport, whichever is more common). Write the various responses on the arrow.
- 6. Summarize the discussion
 - Common childhood illnesses and causes of deaths of children under age 5 in the community.
 - Where families take their sick children for care, and why.
- 7. Ask participants to read the following text aloud. Continue working in the Manual. Asking participants to read the text aloud.

Welcoming the caregiver

Prepare

- 1. A blank transparency of the Sick Child Recording Form*.
- 2. Overhead projector for showing transparencies.*
- 3. Erasable transparency markers.*

* Throughout the course, you may substitute a computer projection of the materials for overhead transparencies. Projections are easy to organize and show. The disadvantage is that you cannot mark and show the answers as participants report them, as is possible with a transparency.

Who is the caregiver?

Note for Facilitator (*NTF*) *After the reading of this section of the Manual, lead a brief discussion using these questions:*

- 1. Who are the main caregivers of children in your communities?
- 2. What influences who are the caregivers?

NTF: Some factors might be the age of the child; whether a parent is sick, has died, or is working in the city; whether day care is available.

Ask about the child and caregiver

NTF: In these two sections, you introduce the visit with the caregiver and a sick child. The participant learns how to gather information about the child and how to use the recording form to guide the visit.

- 1. Ask a participant to read the text in the Manual.
- 2. Introduce the TOP of recording form, item by item. Or ask a participant to read the items from in the text. Do not overwhelm participants by presenting too much information. For now, just focus on the information on the top of the recording form.
- 3. At the end of the section, discuss the sample for Grace Owen.

Ask for any questions. Clarify the items on the form, as needed.



Exercise: Use the recording form (1)

Objectives

Before participants practise interviewing the caregiver, this exercise helps them understand the recording form and how it will help guide the interview with the caregiver. The participants will be able to:

• Write the basic information on the child and the visit on the recording form.

Prepare

- 1. Blank transparency of Recording Form
- 2. Overhead projector for showing transparency.
- 3. Erasable transparency markers.
- 4. **Blank recording forms**—here, and throughout the course, distribute blank recording forms only if participants will not write in the manuals. If you use blank recording forms, the manuals can be re-used.

Process

- 1. Ask a participant to read the instructions for **Child 1: Jenala Mariko.** *NTF: Participants will write on the blank forms in their Manuals or on blank Sick Child Recording Forms.*
- 2. **Child 1: Jenala**—Ask participants to: Record the beginning information on the top of the recording form (date, visit, HSA).
 - Then, read the information on the case from the Manual, one sentence at a time. Give time for participants to record the information.
 - Walk around to look at participants working. Make sure that participants are able to do the task.
 - Then, write the information on the blank transparency of the recording form for all to see. Make sure that participants have recorded the information correctly before you go on to read the next sentence. (See the answer sheet. Note that participants should write today's date and their full names)
- 3. Child 2: Comfort—Do the same as for Child 1. Then:
 - Ask someone to read what he or she recorded.
 - Ask if anyone wrote something different. If so, resolve the differences.

ANSWER SHEETS

Child 1: Jenela Mariko

Sick Child Recording Form			
(for community -based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)			
Date: _ 18/7 / 2008 (Day/Month/Year)	HSA: Moka Mzaza		
Child's First Name: <u>Jenala</u> Surname <u>Mariko</u> Age: <u>3</u> Years/Months Boy /Girl			
Caregiver's name: <u>Joyce</u> Marika Relationship: Mothery Father / Other:			
Physical Address: <u>Near Mataka CCAP Church</u>	Village / TA: Malamba/Chongoni		

Child 2: Comfort Kazombo

Sick Child Recording Form (for community -based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)		
Date: 20/9/2008 (Day/Month/Year) HSA: Owen Tembo		
Child's First Name: Comfort Surname Kazombo Age:Years/ 4_Months Boy/ Girl		
Caregiver's name: <u>Paulus</u> _Relationship: Mother / Father / Other:		
Physical Address: <u>Chitala Farm</u> Village / TA: <u>Palasa /Nyanja</u>		



Exercise: Use the recording form to identify problems (2)

Objective

This exercise is a continuation of the previous one with additional information gathered from interviewing the caregiver.

The exercise helps participants understand the recording form and how it will help guide the interview with the caregiver. The participants will be able to:

- Write the basic information on the child and the visit on the recording form.
- Systematically identify and record problems identified by asking the caregiver.

Process

- 1. Ask a participant to read the instructions for Joana Valani.
- 2. Then ask participants to fill out the recording form. You may go item by item so that the group completes the form together. For example, ask:
 - Did Miss Lomos say that Joana had cough?
 - If yes, for how long?
 - Did she mention diarrhoea?
 - Then continue by listing each problem.
- 3. Walk around the room to review how participants are completing the form. (See the Answer Sheet.)
- 4. Summary:
 - The recording form is like a checklist. It helps you remember everything you need to ask the caregiver.
 - It is also a record of what you learned from the caregiver. With this information, you will be able to plan the treatment for the child.

ANSWER SHEET

Child: Joana Valani

Sick Child Recording Form

(for community-based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)

 Date: 15/7/2008 (Day / Month / Year)
 HSA: John Banda

 Child's First Name: Joana Surname Valani
 Age: 3 Years/_Months Boy / Girl

 Caregiver's name: Maria Lomos Relationship: Mother / Father Other: Aunt

 Physical Address: Amagwa CBCC
 Village / TA: Kalala / Nkhape

1. Identify problems

ASK and LOOK		Any DANGER SIGN?	SICK but NO Danger Sign?
AS	K: What are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask to be		
sure.			
YES,/S	ign present \rightarrow Tick \mathbb{Q} / NO sign \rightarrow Circle		
₩,	■ Cough? If yes, for how long? days	Cough for 21 days or more	
Ŕ	■ Diarrhoea (loose stools)?	Diarrhoea for 14 days or	Diarrhoea (less than
V	IFXES, for how long?days.	more	14 days AND no blood
	Blood in stool?	Blood in stool	in stool)
	Fever (reported or now)?		
	If yes, started days ago.	□ Fever for last 7 days	□ Fever (less than 7
			days)
	Convulsions?	□ Convulsions	
	Difficulty drinking or feeding?	□ Not able to drink or feed	
	IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything? □■	anything	
	●Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything? □ ■	Vomits everything	
	Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays.	□ Red eye for 4 days or	
	Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays	more	
		□ Red eye with visual	□ Red eye less than 4
		problem	days
	Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast	D Other problem to refer	,
		□ Other problem to refer:	
	feeding, injury)? See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.		
	See 3 11 dry OTFICK FRODELMO, FETEL.		

ANSWER SHEET:

Child Grace Wadza.

Child's Problems

- 1. Cough
- 2. Fever
- 3. Difficulty feeding
 - Not able to drink or feed anything,
- 4. Vomiting
 - Vomiting everything.

Grace does not have:

- 1. Diarrhoea
- 2. Convulsions
- 3. Red eye



Role Play Demonstration and Practice: Interview and record information

Part 1. Role play demonstration

The purpose of this role play is to demonstrate how a Health Surveillance Assistant greets and welcomes the caregiver and child to the home, and finds out what are the child's problems.

Prepare

- 1. **Two chairs**—one for the caregiver and her child, and one for you.
- 2. A **doll** or other object (e.g. a rolled towel) to be the doll.
- 3. Role play script (next page)—two (2) copies.
- 4. **Caregiver** select someone to play the role of the caregiver, and give them a copy of the script on the next page (for example, your co-facilitator could play the role). You will play the HSA.
- 5. Recording form on transparency.

Process

1. Introduce the role play by reading these instructions:

Mrs. Hanjahanja has brought her sick young boy to see the Health Surveillance Assistant at home. Observe the interview and record the information as you hear it on the form in your Manual.

Be prepared to discuss what you have seen:

1. How did the Health Surveillance Assistant greet Mrs. Hanjahanja?

- 2. How welcome did Mrs. Hanjahanja feel in the home? How do you know?
- 3. What information from the visit did you record?
- 2. After the role play demonstration:

NTF: Ask each of the questions in the Manual (also listed directly above). Lead a discussion using the information that the participants give you.

3. Complete a recording form on a transparency as participants give you information. (See the answer sheet that follows the role play script.)

4. Ask participants what difficulties they had recording the information. Help participants correct the information on their recording forms.

Role Play Script:

Interview and record information for Tatha Hanjahanja

HSA: Hello. Welcome. Please come in.

Mrs. Hanjahanja: Hello. My son is sick. He has been sick since last night. Can you please take a look at him?

HSA: Certainly. I am glad that you brought your son right away. Please sit down here. Let me ask you a few questions to find out what is wrong. I also need to get some information from you. First, what is your son's name? [Sit close to Mrs. Hanjahanja, and look at her in a concerned, supportive way. Use a recording form to record the information you get from the answers to your questions.]

Mrs. Hanjahanja: His name is Tatha. Tatha Hanjahanja.

T-A-T-H-A HA-NJA-HA-NJA.

HSA: How old is Tatha?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: He is 12 weeks old.

HSA: And what is your name?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: My name is Tayeni Hanjahanja.

T-A-Y-E-N-I Hanjahanja.

HSA: Mrs. Hanjahanja, where do you live?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: We live near Pemba Market.

HSA: Thank you, Mrs. Hanjahanja. I hope we can help Tatha feel better. Let me ask you some questions to find out how he is feeling. What is Tatha's problem?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: Tatha has a fever.

HSA: *[Feel Tatha's skin on his forehead.]* Yes, I can feel that Tatha is hot. He has a fever now. How long has he had a fever?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: Since last night.

HSA: So he has had a fever less than one day. Is there anything else the matter?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: He has been coughing and spitting up his milk.

HSA: How long has he been coughing?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: He has been coughing since the market day, Sunday.

HSA: So he has been coughing for 3 days. Does he spit up all of his milk, or has he been able to keep some of it down?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: He burped up some milk last night. This morning he spit up a little, but he kept most of it, I think. He is tired and he is not eating as much as usual.

HSA: So, he is able to drink and keep down some of his milk. Has he had diarrhoea?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: No. He does not have diarrhoea.

HSA: He has not had any diarrhoea. And, have you seen any blood in his stools?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: No. He does not have diarrhoea and his stools are the same as always.

HSA: What about convulsions? With the fever, have you seen any shakes or fits? [Demonstrate what a convulsion might look like.]

Mrs. Hanjahanja: No. I don't think he has had any convulsions.

HSA: Do you have any other concern about Tatha that you would like to talk about today?

Mrs. Hanjahanja: No. I am mostly worried about his fever.

HSA: I can see that you are. Fever tells us that Tatha is sick. I will take a look at Tatha now.

NTF: End the role play, and begin the discussion. Ask the following questions (also listed in the Manual):

1. How did the Health Surveillance Assistant greet Mrs. Hanjahanja?

- 2. How welcome did Mrs. Hanjahanja feel in the home? How do you know?
- 3. What information from the visit did you record?

Emphasize the *quality of the conversation:*

- How the HSA approaches Mrs. Hanjahanja.
- How the HSA sits in relation to Mrs. Hanjahanja.
- How the HSA looks at Mrs. Hanjahanja.
- How the HSA does not take the child from Mrs. Hanjahanja.
- How gently and encouragingly the HSA speaks and listens.

ANSWER SHEET

Role Play: Tatha Hanjahanja Child: Tatha Hanjahanja

Sick Child Recording Form

(for community-based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)

Date: <u>15/7/2008</u> (Day / Month / Year) HSA: <u>John Banda</u> Child's First Name: <u>Tatha</u> Surname <u>Havjahanja</u> Age: _Years/<u>3</u> Months Boy / Girl Caregiver's name: <u>Tayeni Hanjahanja</u> Relationship: Mother / Father / Other: <u>Aunt</u> Physical Address: <u>near</u> <u>Pemba Market</u> Village / TA: <u>Kalaya / Majoni</u>

Any DANGER SIGN or SICK but NO Danger ASK and LOOK other problem to refer? Sign? ASK: What are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask to be sure. YES, /sign present → Tick Q/ NO sign → Circle Cough? If yes, for how long? Cough for 21 days or more A Diarrhoea (loose stools)? Diarrhoea for 14 days or □ Diarrhoea (less than more IFXES, for how long? 3 days. 14 days AND no blood Blood in stool \Box in stool) Blood in stool? М Fever (reported or now)? □ Fever (less than 7 □ Fever for last 7 days If yes, started **7** day ago. days) Convulsions? □ Convulsions Difficulty drinking or feeding? R □ Not able to drink or feed IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything? □■ anything Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything? Vomits everything Red eyes? If yes, for how long ____ □ Red eye for 4 days or mo ____days. Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how long ___days □ Red eye with visual problem re □ Red eye less than 4 □ Other problem to refer: days Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast feeding, injury)? (Spits up some See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer. breast milk)

1. Identify problems

Part 2. Role play practice

Objectives

This is the first role play practice for the participants. It will take some extra time to set up the groups, present the roles, and help them get started. At the end of this first practice, participants will be able to:

- Welcome and greet a caregiver.
- Ask for information about the child and the family.
- Ask the caregiver what she thinks are the child's problems.
- Record information on the recording form.

In addition, participants will follow a process for conducting role play practice for learning many of the skills in the remainder of the course.

Prepare

- 1. **Space, chairs**—set up areas within the room with 3 chairs. Leave space for you to walk around the groups and observe their activities.
- 2. **Doll** or other item to be a child for each group (for example, a rolled towel).
- 3. **Groups**—form groups of 3 participants. Ask the groups to identify who will be the caregiver, the Health Surveillance Assistant, and the observer.
- 4. **Recording forms**—provide extra recording forms to be used as needed. (If the Manuals will be reused, ask participants to write on the worksheets instead of in the manual.)

Process

- 1. Ask a participant to read the section **The Role Play** for the rest of the group
- 2. There are no scripts for this practice, as participants will play the role. Read these instructions:
 - The caregiver will come to the Health Surveillance Assistant's house with his or her sick child. Hold the "child" (the doll or other item to be the child). Caregivers can use your own name, as the caregiver, and provide information on your sick child. Answer the questions as the Health Surveillance Assistant asks.
 - Be very cooperative, as this is the first practice for your Health Surveillance Assistant. We are now practising the

very basic steps for gathering the information. Do not make the interview complicated.

- The Health Surveillance Assistant should greet and interview the caregiver.
- Both the Health Surveillance Assistant and the observer should complete the top of the recording form.
- Are there any questions?
- 3. Then, start the role play. Walk around and observe. Help groups change roles and start again, when they finish each role play.
- 4. After the role play, lead a discussion using the questions in the Manual.
- 5. Summarize
 - Identify what Health Surveillance Assistants did well.
 - Identify any difficulties Health Surveillance Assistants had.
 - Answer questions.
- 6. Emphasize the quality of the conversation:
 - How the HSA approaches the caregiver.
 - How the HSA sits in relation to the caregiver.
 - How the HSA looks at the caregiver.
 - How the HSA does not take the child from the caregiver.
 - How gently and encouragingly the HSA speaks and listens.
- 7. Finally, as role plays will be repeated, review the role play process.
 - Encourage participants to stay in role during the role play.
 - Caregivers should provide the information requested and not make additional difficulties for the Health Surveillance Assistant.
 - Observers should not interfere with the role play.
 - Next time, they will set up the chairs and space, recording forms, etc. for their role play practice.



Discussion: Chest indrawing

Objective

Participants will be able to:

- Describe where and when to look for chest indrawing in a child.
- Identify examples of chest indrawing in photos of children.

Prepare

1. **Photo Booklet:** *Identify signs of illness*—Photos 1 and 2 showing chest indrawing.

Process

- 1. Bring the participants close to see the photos in the Photo Booklet. Ask them to bring their Manuals with them.
- 2. Start with **Photo 1** (the black and white set of two photos). See the notes to the facilitator in the Photo Booklet to guide the discussion (on the flip page of the cover).
- 3. Make sure that all participants understand breathing in and breathing out.
 - Ask them first to put their hands in front of their chest to demonstrate breathing in and breathing out.
 - Then ask them to look at the person next to them to see if they can tell when the person is breathing in and out.
- 4. Look at **Photo 2.** See the notes to the facilitator in the Photo Booklet.
- 5. In the HSA Manual: Question 1. The answers are a, b, c, and d. Ask participants to explain the answers.
- 6. **Question 2.** Discuss which answers are appropriate or not appropriate for calming a crying child in order to check for chest indrawing. The best answer is d) Continue assessing for other signs. Look for chest indrawing later, when the child is calm.

Answer (a) is not correct. Although a child who is breastfeeding is calm, the child's chest may draw in while suckling (feeding). This is not chest indrawing due to pneumonia.

Answer (b) is not helpful. Taking the child from the caregiver usually upsets the child more.

Answer (c) could also be correct only if the child **stops breastfeeding** before you check for chest indrawing.



Video Exercise: Identify chest indrawing

Objective

Participants will be able to:

• Identify chest indrawing as a danger sign (severe pneumonia).

Prepare

- 1. Videotape (or DVD) of IMCI Video Exercises—before the session, locate the section How to assess cough or difficult breathing: Chest Indrawing
- 2. Video machine and monitor, or a computer—make sure that the equipment for showing the video on tape or DVD is ready, turned on, and set at the point on tape or DVD where the examples of *chest indrawing* are.

Process: Demonstration and practice

- 1. Gather participants around the TV monitor or the computer to show the video. Ask them to bring their Manuals with them.
- 2. Introduce the video: The video will show examples of **chest indrawing.** It also shows examples for practice in identifying chest indrawing.
- 3. Show the demonstration on chest indrawing. Ask if there are any questions. Repeat the taped examples, as needed. If a participant is having difficulty, as the participant to point to the place on the child's chest where they see or do not see chest indrawing.
- 4. Then go to the exercise **Assess chest indrawing.** Ask participants to decide whether each child has chest indrawing. Say:
 - Take out your manuals. We will look at the video exercise in the manual.
 - For each child in the video, decide whether the child has chest indrawing. Indicate whether Mary, Jenna, Ho, Amma, or Lo have chest indrawing by circling Yes or No.
 - We will stop after each child to discuss your decision. We can repeat the child's image, as necessary.

- 5. There is a section on the video called **Review exercise:** Chest indrawing. Use it for additional practice until participants can identify chest indrawing.
- 6. It is also useful to show this exercise as a review, in preparation for going to the outpatient department or inpatient ward.

ANSWER SHEET Video Exercise: chest indrawing

Does the child have chest indrawing?		
Mary		No
Jenna	Yes	
Но	Yes	
Amma		No
Lo		Νο

ANSWER SHEET

Video Exercise: Review exercise on chest indrawing

Does the child have chest indrawing?		
Child 1	Yes	
Child 2		No
Child 3	Yes	
Child 4	Yes	

Does the child have chest indrawing?		
Child 5		No
Child 6	Yes	
Child 7		No



Exercise: Identify fast breathing

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify fast breathing, using the breathing rates of sample children.
- Use the recording form as a resource for deciding which children have fast breathing.

This exercise can be conducted in two ways:

- *RECOMMENDED: Conduct a group discussion on each of the children listed in the exercise.* This method works well when participants are unsure of the content of the exercise. This method is active. Participants move to the front of the room and work together.
- Ask participants to complete the exercise as individual work, as it appears in the Manual. This method provides an assessment of the individual's knowledge. It can be completed as a review exercise..

Prepare for the group discussion

- Child cards—copy onto cardboard or heavy paper the Child cards—Set 1: Identify fast breathing. The cards describe sample of children with different breathing rates (see Annex 1. Card games). Cut the cards to separate them.
- 2. Flip chart write the two labels at the top of two columns: FAST BREATHING and NO FAST BREATHING.
- 3. Tape—or other means to stick the cards on the Flip chart.

Process for the group discussion

- 1. Ask participants to come to the flip chart with their recording forms.
- 2. Give each participant a card from Set 1. One at a time, ask the participant to read the card. Ask: Does the child have fast breathing? Determine whether others agree with the decision. Have participants refer to the recording form to answer their own questions.
- 3. Then ask the participant to decide where to stick the card on the Flip chart, under the label **FAST BREATHING** or **NO FAST BREATHING**.
- 4. Repeat the process until all cards have been posted in the correct place on the Flip chart.

5. Refer to the Answer Sheet below.

Note that the cards review what has been learned and introduce new information for discussion. Use the cards as an exercise to: assess participant knowledge, trigger the introduction of new information on more difficult issues.

The exercise works best when all participants come close to the flip chart.

Process for individual work

- 1. Decide on whether Carlos has fast breathing as a group.
- 2. Then, ask participants to complete the rest of Exercise. They should refer to the recording form to help them decide on fast breathing. Show them the box on fast breathing in the Chart Booklet.
- 3. Then, go around the room asking participants to report their answers—**YES** or **NO**, whether each child has fast breathing. The answer sheet is below.
- 4. Discuss any disagreements. Refer participants to the Chart Booklet to help participants make a decision.

ANSWER SHEET

Exercise: Identify fast breathing

	Does the have fast breathing	
Carlos		
Age 2 years, has a breathing rate of 45 breaths per minute	Yes	
Ahmed		
Age $4\frac{1}{2}$ years, has a breathing rate of 38 breaths per minute		No
Artimis Age 2 months, has a breathing rate of 55 breaths per minute	Yes	
Jan Age 3 months, has a breathing rate of 47 breaths per minute		No
James Age 3 years, has a breathing rate of 35 breaths per minute		No
Nandi Age 4 months, has a breathing rate of 45 breaths per minutes		No
Joseph Age 10 weeks, has a breathing rate of 57 breaths per minute	Yes	
Anita Age 4 years, has a breathing rate of 36 breaths per minute		No
Becky Age 36 months, has a breathing rate of 47 breaths per minute	Yes	
Will Age 8 months, has a breathing rate of 45 breaths per minute	Yes	
Maggie Age 3 months, has a breathing rate of 52 breaths per minute	Yes	



Video Exercise: Count the child's breaths

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Count the breaths of a child.
- Determine if the child has fast breathing (a sign of pneumonia).

Prepare

- Videotape (or DVD) of Video Exercises—before the session, locate the section on the tape Demonstration: Cough and difficult breathing—count breathing.
- 2. Video machine and monitor, or a computer—make sure that the equipment is ready, turned on, and set at the point on the tape or DVD where the examples for counting breaths are.

Process

- 1. Gather participants around the TV monitor or the computer to show the video. Ask them to bring their Manuals with them.
- 2. Introduce the video. This is a chance to practise counting breaths to identify fast breathing.
- 3. Ask a participant to read the instructions in the Manual before starting the tape.
- 4. You may need to repeat sections of the tape several times to make sure that participants learn to recognize breathing in, and can count breaths accurately.
- 5. If a participant has difficulties, ask them to go to the screen, and point to the place on the child's chest to observe the movement. Make sure that the location is the clearest to make the count. Then, ask the participant to count out loud with the chest movement.
- 6. Set a goal of everyone on the room reaching the correct count plus or minus 2 breaths per minute.

ANSWER SHEET

Video exercise: Count the child's breaths

	Age?	Breaths per minute?	Does the child have fast breathing?	
Mano	4 years	65	Yes	
Wumbi	6 months	65	Yes	



Video Exercise: Identify a very sleepy or unconscious child and other signs of illness

Objective

Participants will be able to:

• Identify children with danger signs—not able to drink or feed, vomiting everything, convulsions, and very sleepy or unconscious.

Prepare

- 1. Videotape (or DVD) of IMCI Video Exercises—before the session, locate the section of the tape **Demonstration Danger** signs. This section demonstrates the signs not able to drink or feed, vomits everything, convulsions, and very sleepy (lethargic) or unconscious.
- 2. Video machine and monitor, or a computer—make sure that the equipment for showing the video on tape or DVD is ready, turned on, and set at the point on tape or DVD where the examples are.

Process: Demonstration and practice

- 1. Gather participants around the TV monitor or the computer for showing the video. Ask them to bring their Manuals with them.
- 2. Introduce the video:
 - The video starts with not able to drink or feed, showing children who are unable to breastfeed.
 - Then it shows the health worker asking the caregiver if the child vomits everything, and if the child has convulsions.
 - Then it shows children who are very sleepy or unconscious. The video uses the word "lethargic", which means very sleepy. You will notice that a child who is very sleepy is not necessarily sound asleep. But the child is not alert and does not notice sounds and movements around him.
- 3. **Demonstration of Danger signs:** Show this section on the video. Stop at the end of the section before going on to the exercise. Ask if there are any questions.
- 4. Then, go on to the next section of the video (1) Assess general condition: Exercise to assess the danger sign very

sleepy or unconscious. Ask participants to record their answers in their Manuals. (See the answer sheet on the next page.)

- 5. Make sure that participants can recognize the sign. Repeat the images as necessary.
- 6. Discuss the question: How are the children who are very sleepy or unconscious different from those who are not?

Preparation for clinical practice

- 1. Tell participants where the group will go to practise checking for danger signs. They will be going to a hospital ward where there are very sick children. They are going there because they are more likely to find the danger signs in the inpatient ward.
- 2. Introduce their clinical instructor who will meet them at the hospital and will give them more information.

ANSWER SHEET

Video Exercise: Very sleepy or unconscious

Is the child v unconscious		
Child 1		No
Child 2	Yes	
Child 3		No
Child 4	Yes	

ANSWER SHEET Photo Exercise: Palmar pallor

Does the child have palmar pallor?			
Child 40			
Child 41			
Child 42		No	
Child 43	Yes		

Does the child have palmar pallor?			
Child 44 Yes			
Child 45	Yes		
Child46	Yes		



Discussion: Severe malnutrition

Purpose

The discussion will help demonstrate the importance of using two methods to identify severe malnutrition—measuring the mid-upper arm circumference and checking oedema on both feet.

Prepare

1. **Photo Booklet**—pictures 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of severely malnourished children and how to identify them.

Process

- 1. Ask participants to come close to you and the **Photo Booklet** for the discussion.
- 2. In the **Photo Booklet**, refer to the notes to the facilitator that correspond to each photo 3 to 9, to guide the discussion
- 3. After the discussion of the photos, continue with the reading in the HSA Manual. The manual and exercises will review the methods.



Exercise: Use the MUAC Tape

Objective

Participants will be able to:

• Use a banded MUAC Tape to measure the mid upper arm circumference, to identify severely malnourished children.

Prepare

- 1. Sample **arm tubes**—prepare 4 cardboard tubes to represent the arms of the children in the exercise (**Anna, Dan, Njeri,** and **Sue**).
 - a. Roll a cardboard and tape the ends together (see sample on the next page). The tighter you roll the cardboard, the smaller is the "arm circumference".
 - b. Roll some tubes smaller than the <110 mm mark and others larger than the mark. (If the group is large, make more than 4 sample tubes.)
 - c. Write a name of one of the children on each tube.
 - d. Prepare your own **answer sheet** for the sample children. Measure each tube. Then circle Yes or No for each sample child in the chart below to make your answer sheet.
 - e. Set the tubes on the table with enough space between them so that participants can work with them.
- 2. MUAC Tapes—one for each participant.
- 3. **Tape or coloured string or yarn**—to tape the MUAC Tapes in the participants' Chart Booklets.

ANSWER SHEET Exercise: Use the MUAC Tape

Is the child severely malnourished (very thin or wasted)?			
Child 1. Anna	Yes	No	
Child 2. Dan	Yes	No	
Child 3. Njeri	Yes	No	
Child 4. Sue	Yes	No	
Child 5 Timve	Yes	No	
Child 6 Tsala	Yes	No	
Child 7 Gwenembe	Yes	No	
Child 8 Sekani	Yes	No	
Child 9 Kelvin	Yes	No	
Child 10 Ida	Yes	No	

Process

- 1. Demonstrate how to measure the mid-upper arm circumference on one of the arm tubes.
 - Locate the "mid-upper arm" on the tube.
 - Use the MUAC Tape to measure the child's mid upper arm circumference. Ask a participant to identify whether the "child" is severely malnourished.
- 2. Pass out a **MUAC Tape**, one to each participant. Let participants briefly practise using the Tape, putting the green end into the second slit on the Tape.
- 3. Form pairs for two participants to work together at an arm tube on the table.
- 4. Ask participants to measure each of the arm tubes, using a MUAC Tape. Write in their Manuals whether the child is, **Yes** or **No**, severely malnourished. They will move around the table to measure each of the tubes.

- 5. If you have made more than 4 sample arm tubes, ask participants to write the name of the child in their manual with the results of the MUAC reading.
- 6. When the pairs have finished, discuss the results. Resolve differences, if any, by having a participant measure the arm tube again.
- 7. Let the participants know that they will have a chance to practise measuring the arm circumference of real children in the clinic.
- 8. Give them the tape, to tape the end of the MUAC Tape onto the plastic cover of their **Chart Booklets or HSA Manuals.**

How to make arm tubes to represent arms of sample children

Copy on cardboard and cut out four of these card shapes Point equal to for the arms of sample RED area children. on MUAC strip . (<110 mm in circumference) Point equal to RED area on MUAC Tape Roll the cards and tape them . (<11.0 cm in to represent different arm circumference) circumferences. Some should be taped to the left of Tape to size of the mark (smaller), and sample arm circumference some to the right of the mark Anna (larger). Write the name of a child on each: Anna, Dan, Njeri, and Sue.



Video Demonstration: Look for severe malnutrition

Objective

Participants will be able to:

• Identify children with the danger signs—red on the MUAC tape and swelling (oedema) of both feet.

Prepare

- 1. Videotape (or DVD) on Severe Malnutrition—before the session, locate the section on assessing severe malnutrition. (Start from the beginning, if you use the Severe Malnutrition video.)
- 2. Video machine and monitor, or a computer—make sure that the equipment for showing the video on tape or DVD is ready, turned on, and set at the point on tape or DVD where the example of looking for swelling of both feet is.

Process

- 1. Gather participants around the monitor or the computer for showing the video. Ask them to bring their Manuals with them.
- 2. Introduce the video by telling participants that there will be a demonstration of how to measure the arm circumference and look for oedema on the foot. This is an assessment of severe malnutrition.
- 3. At the end of the video, answer questions. Show the image again, if necessary.



Exercise: Decide to refer (1)

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify danger signs based on information the caregiver provides.
- Use the **Sick Child Recording Form** as a resource for answering questions.

As in an earlier exercise, this exercise can be done in two ways:

- *Conduct a group discussion on each of the children listed in the exercise.* This method works well when participants are unsure of the content of the exercise. This method is active. Participants move to the front of the room and work together.
- Ask participants to complete the exercise as individual work, as it appears in the HSA Manual. This method provides an assessment of the individual's knowledge. It can be completed as a review exercise.

Prepare for the group discussion

- 1. Child cards—copy onto cardboard or heavy paper the Child cards—Set 2: Ask caregiver. The cards describe sample children with different signs of illness from the caregiver's report (see Annex 1. Card games). Cut the cards.
- 2. Flip chart—write two labels at the top of two columns: DANGER SIGN—REFER and NO DANGER SIGN.
- 3. **Masking Tape**—or use other means to stick the cards on the Flip chart.

Prepare for individual work—No special preparation.

Process for the group discussion

- 1. Ask participants to come to the Flip chart. Bring their recording forms and Manuals with them.
- 2. Give each participant a card. One at a time, ask the participant to read the card. Ask: Does the child have a danger sign? Determine whether others agree with the decision. If there is a question, have participants refer to the Sick Child Recording Form.
- 3. Then ask the participant to decide where to stick the card on the Flip chart, under the label **DANGER SIGN**—**REFER** or **NO DANGER SIGN**.
- 4. When all participants have posted their cards, pass out the remaining cards, if any. Repeat the process until all cards have been posted in the correct place on the Flip chart.
- 5. Refer to the Answer Sheet below, with comments to add to the discussion.

Process for individual work

- 1. Ask a participant to read the instructions for the exercise.
- 2. Then, work as a group to decide whether the first child, Sam, has a danger sign. Continue with several more children until the participants are clear on the task. Help them refer the Danger Signs listed in the Sick Child Recording Form, if necessary.
- 3. Then, ask participants to complete the exercise on their own.
- 4. Finally, go around the room asking participants to report their answers—**Yes** or **No**, the child has a danger sign.
- 5. Refer to the Answer Sheet below, with comments to add to the discussion.

ANSWER SHEET

Exercise: Decide to refer (1)

Does the child have a danger sign? (Refer any child with a danger sign.)		Comment	
Sam – cough for 2 weeks		No	
Murat – cough for 2 months	Yes		
Beauty – diarrhoea with blood in stool	Yes		
Marco – diarrhoea for 10 days		No	If there is diarrhoea for 14 days or more, the child has a danger sign—one reason that a follow-up visit is important (more to be said later). If this child has diarrhoea almost all the time, discuss what the Health Surveillance Assistant should do.
Amina – fever for 3 days		No	
Nilgun – low fever for 8 days	Yes		A low fever for 7 days or more may mean that there is an unknown cause, which must be assessed and treated at health facility.
lda – diarrhoea for 2 weeks	Yes		What might be a reason for diarrhoea lasting for 2 weeks? It could be diarrhoea caused by a food reaction or an indication that the child has a more serious problem, including HIV. The health facility will try to determine the cause.
Carmen – cough for 1 month	Yes		Cough for 21 days or more may be a sign of TB or another illness, which needs to be assessed and treated at the health facility.
Nonu – very hot body since last night		No	If HAS does not have LA refer the child ?
Maria – vomiting food but drinking water		No	
Thomas – not eating or drinking anything because of mouth sores	Yes		



Exercise: Decide to refer (2)

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify danger signs based on information from the caregiver and signs found by looking at the child.
- Use the **Sick Child Recording Form** as a resource for answering questions.

As in the previous exercise, this exercise can be done in two ways:

- Conduct a group discussion on each of the children listed in the exercise. This method works well when participants are unsure of the content of the exercise. This method is active. Participants move to the front of the room and work together.
- Ask participants to complete the exercise as individual work, as that appears in the HSA Manual. This method provides an assessment of the individual's knowledge. It can be completed as a review exercise, either at the end of the unit or at the beginning of the next unit.

Prepare for the group discussion

- 1. Child cards—copy onto cardboard or heavy paper the Child cards—Set 3: Ask caregiver and Look for signs. The cards describe sample children with different signs of illness from the caregiver's report (see Annex 1. Card games). Cut the cards to separate them.
- 2. Flip chart—write the two labels at the top of two columns: DANGER SIGN—REFER and NO DANGER SIGN.
- 3. **Masking Tape**—or use other means to stick the cards on the Flip chart.

Process for the group discussion

- 1. Ask participants to come to the Flip chart with their Sick Child Recording Forms and Manuals with them.
- 2. Give each participant a card. One at a time, ask the participant to read the card. Ask: Does the child have a danger sign? Determine whether others agree with the decision. If there is a question, have participants refer to the Sick Child Recording Form.

- 3. Then ask the participant to decide where to stick the card on the Flip chart, under the label **DANGER SIGN**—**REFER** or **NO DANGER SIGN**.
- 4. When all participants have posted their cards, give out the remaining cards, if any. Repeat the process until all cards have been posted in the correct place on the Flip chart.
- 5. Refer to the Answer Sheet below, with comments to add to the discussion.

Process for individual work

- 1. Ask a participant to read the instructions for the exercise.
- 2. Then, work as a group to decide whether the first child, Sam, has a danger sign. Continue with several more children until the participants are clear on the task. Help them to refer to the Danger Signs listed in the Sick Child Recording Form, if necessary.
- 3. Then, ask participants to complete the exercise on their own.
- 4. Finally, go around the room asking participants to report their answers—**Yes** or **No**, the child has a danger sign.
- 5. Refer to the Answer Sheet below, with comments to add to the discussion.

ANSWER SHEET

Exercise: Decide to refer (2)

Does the child have a danger sign? (Refer child with any danger sign)			Comment	
1.	Child age 11 months has cough; he is not interested in eating but will breastfeed		No	For danger sign, child cannot do either: eat or breastfeed.
2.	Child age 4 months is breathing 48 breaths per minute.		No	
3.	Child age 2 years vomits all liquid and food her mother gives her	Yes		Child will not be able to keep down liquids or medicine and will become dehydrated
4.	Child age 3 months frequently holds his breath while exercising his arms and legs		No	This is normal and does not describe a convulsion
5.	Child age 12 months is too weak to drink or eat anything	Yes		
6.	Child age 3 years with cough cannot swallow	Yes		
7.	Child age 10 months vomits ground food but continues to breastfeed for short periods of time		No	
8.	Arms and legs of child, age 4 months, stiffen and shudder for 2 or 3 minutes at a time	Yes		This is probably a convulsion. To confirm, you might look if child is alert or cannot be wakened.
9.	Child age 4 years has swelling of both feet	Yes		
10.	Child age 6 months has chest indrawing	Yes		
11.	Child age 2 years has a YELLOW reading on the MUAC tape		No	
12.	Child age 10 months has had diarrhoea with 4 loose stools since yesterday morning		No	
13.	Child age 8 months, has a RED reading on the MUAC Tape	Yes		
14.	Child age 36 months has had a very hot body since last night		No	
15.	Child age 4 years has loose and smelly stools with white mucus		No	Discuss difference in appearance of blood and mucus in stools.
	Child age 4 months has chest indrawing while breastfeeding		No	Wait until child stops breastfeeding, and then look for chest indrawing again.
	Child age 4 and a half years has been coughing for 2 months	Yes		Refer child for further assessment. It could be TB.
18.	Child age 2 years has diarrhoea with blood in her stools	Yes		
19.	Child age 2 years has had diarrhoea for 1 week with no blood in her stools		No	Do not refer if there is no danger sign.
20.	Child age 18 months has had a low fever (not very hot) for 2 weeks	Yes		
21.	Child has had fever and vomiting (not everything) for 3 days		No	



Demonstration and Practice: Use the recording form to decide to refer or treat

Objectives

Participants will be able to:

- Identify danger signs based on information from the caregiver and signs found by looking at the child.
- Use the **Sick Child Recording Form** as a resource for deciding to refer or treat the child.

Process

[NTF: If you do not have time to complete all the sample children, then it is recommended to do the sample Grace Owen; Child 2: Siew Chin; and Child 3: Comfort Kazombo.]

1. Introduce the exercise. Say:

- You have already seen how the use of the Sick Child Recording Form helps you systematically interview the caregiver and look for signs of illness.
- It can also guide you in identifying a danger sign, and whether you should refer the child to the health facility or treat the child.
- 2. Guide participants in getting started on the form: Look at Grace Owen's recording form. Note that the date is 16 November 2007. The Health Surveillance Assistant is Idah Banda.
- 3. Ask a participant to tell us the rest of the information on the top of the form (age, caregiver's name, address, etc.).
- 4. Let's now identify Grace's problems. Start with information we learned by asking her mother.
- 5. Did Grace have cough? Have diarrhoea?
- 6. Then, ask: Did she have fever? For how long?
- 7. Now let's look to the column to the right. The column heading is "Danger Sign". She did not have fever that lasted 7 days or more.. So the Health Surveillance Assistant ticked fever So we know that Grace has at least one danger sign.
- 8. (Ask other participants by name). Did Grace have convulsions?
- 9. Did Grace have difficulty drinking or feeding? If yes, was she not able to drink or feed anything?
- 10. Go to the column to the right. Is anything ticked? What?
- 11. So, Grace has another Danger Sign.
- 12. Continue until all items are discussed.

- 13. At the bottom of the page, the form asks you to Decide: Refer or treat child. If there is any Danger Sign, what do you do? Tick [✓] the appropriate box.
- 14. What if Grace had diarrhoea for less than 14 days and no blood in stool? Where would you record whether this was a danger sign?
- 15. If she had diarrhoea for less than 14 days and no blood in stool, would you have referred her? [No. If she had any danger sign, she needs to be referred.]
- 16. Any questions?
- 17. Summarize:
 - The recording form guides you in deciding whether the sign is a danger sign and the child must be referred, or the sign indicates the child is sick but does not have a danger sign.
 - However, if there is any tick in the Danger Sign column—even one, then the child must be referred to the health facility.
- 18. When there are no more questions, continue to the recording form of the next child, Kiki Shah.
- 19. Ask participants if they want to complete the next recording form for Kiki Shah by themselves. If they are unsure, then walk through the items on the form together as a group.
- 20. If the participants are ready to complete the form individually, then ask them to continue. Walk around the room to check the recording forms.
- 21. Participants can continue with Siew Chin's recording form and Comfort Kazombo's recording form, when they are ready.
- 22. Refer to the Answer Sheets, below, if needed.

ANSWER SHEET

Demonstration and Practice: Decide to refer or treat

Child 1: Grace Wadza

	Sick Child Recordin for community -based treatment of child)	-	
	Date: <u>16/5/2008</u> (Day/Month/Year)	HSA: <u>Idah Banda</u>	
	Child's First Name: Grace Surname Wadza Ag		
	Caregiver's name: Patricia Wadza Relationship		
	Physical Address: <u>Hilltop Road, Kasasa Hills</u>		
	1. Identify problems	······································	
ASK	and LOOK	Any Danger Sign	Sick but NO Danger Sign
	What are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask		
	sure. sign present \rightarrow Tick \square NO sign \rightarrow Circle(\blacksquare)		
¥	■ Cough? If yes, for how long? <u>2</u> days	□ Cough for 21 days or more	
	●Diarrhoea (loose stools)? IF YES, for how long?days.	Diarrhoea for 14 days or more	 Diarrhoea (less than 14 days
□ ,	Blood in stool?	Blood in stool	AND no blood in \$tool)
Ą	Fever (reported or now)?	□ Fever for last 7 days	Fever (less
	If yes, started 4 days ago.		than 7 days)
/	Convulsions?	□ Convulsions	
□√	■ Difficulty drinking or feeding? IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything? ☑/ ■	ŊNot able to drink or feed aŋything	
Å	Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything?	₩Vomits everything	
	 Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays. Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays 	□ Red eye for 4 days or more	
	Light fically in seeing? If yes for now long days	Red eye with visual problem	
	Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast feeding, injury)? See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.	□ Other problem to refer:	
	LOOK		
	Chest indrawing? (FOR ALL CHILDREN)	Chest indrawing	
	IF COUGH, count breaths in 1 minute: <u>36</u> breaths per minute ast breathing: Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more		□ Fast breathing
	● yery sleepy or unconscious?	Very sleepy or unconscious	
	Ralmar pallor	Palmar pallor	
	For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC tape colour: Green	□ Red on MUAC tape	
	● \$welling of both feet?	□ Swelling of both feet	
	2. Decide: Refer or treat child (tick decision)	other problem, refer to	☐ If NO Danger ign, treat at home nd advise caregiver

Sick Child Recording Form (for community -based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)				
Date: <u>16/5/2008</u> (Day/Month/Year)) HSA: <u>Idah Banda</u>			
Child's First Name: Sae Surname Chausing	ga_Age: <u>1</u> Years/ <u>2</u> Months Boy/Girl)			
Caregiver's name: <i>Lin Chawinga</i> Relations	hip: Mother / Father / Other:			
	/illage / TA: Sibweni / <u>Khobwe</u>			

1. Identify problems

ASK	and LOOK	Any Danger Sign	Sick but NO Danger Sign
ASK:	What are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask		
to be			
YES,	sign present \rightarrow Tick \Box' NO sign \rightarrow Circle \checkmark		
		Cough for 21 days or	
	() Cough? If yes, for how long? Z days	more	
₫	■ Diarrhoea (loose stools)?	Diarrhoea for 14 days or	🗆 Diarrhoea (less
7	. ,		than 14 days AND
	— IF YES, for how long? <u>2</u> days.	more	no blood in stool)
M	Blood in stool?	🛱 Blood in stool	
	(■)Fever (reported or now)?	↓ □ Fever for last 7 days	□ Fever (less than
	If yes, started days ago.		7 days)
	Convulsions?	Convulsions	7 uuysj
	Difficulty drinking or feeding?		
	IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything? [□ Not able to drink or	
		feed anything	
Ą	■ Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything? □ ■	□Vomits everything	
	Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays.	□ Red eye for 4 days or	
	☐(■Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays	more	
	č		
		□ Red eye with visual	
		problem	
	Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast teeding, injury)?	Other problem to refer:	
	See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.		
	Chest indrawing? (FOR ALL CHILDREN)	□ Chest indrawing	
		Li chest indi dwing	
-	IF COUGH, count breaths in 1 minute: <u>36</u> breaths		□ Fast breathing
	per minute		
	■ Fast breathing: Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more		
	Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more		
	Very sleepy or unconscious?	□ Very sleepy or	
		unconscious	
	■ Ralmar pallor		1
	For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC tape colour:	Palmar pallor Ded on MULAC tone	1
-	Yellow	□ Red on MUAC tape	
			l
	Swelling of both feet?	□ Swelling of both feet	L .
	2.	Ļ	
	3. Decide: Refer or treat child	• /	¬ *
	(tick decision)	🛱 If ANY Danger Sign o	r 🛛 🛛 If NO Dan
		athen problem refer to	

other problem, refer to

health facility

Sign, treat at home

Child 3: Comfort Kazombo

Sick Child Recording Form (for community-based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)

 Date: 16/7 /2008 (Day / Month / Year)
 HSA: Lameck Chirwa

 Child's First Name: Comfort Surname Kazombo Age: Years/ 4 Months Boy Girl

 Caregiver's name: Paalus Kazombo Relationship: Mother (Father) / Other: _____

Physical Address: Kapeni Mosque

Village / TA: Palasa /Nyanja

1. Identify problems

	ASK and LOOK	Any DANGER SIGN or other problem to refer?	SICK but NO Danger Sign?
	r are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask to be sure. resent →Tick □ NO sign → Circle(■)		
V V	■ Cough? If yes, for how long? <u>3</u> days	Cough for 21 days or more	
	Diarrhoea (loose stools)? IF YES_for how long?days.	Diarrhoea for 14 days or more	□Diarrhoea (less than 14 days
/	Blood in stool?	Blood in stool	AND no blood in stool)
A	■ Fever (reported or now)? If yes, started <u>3</u> days ago.	□ Fever for last 7 days	Fever (less than 7 days)
	Convulsions?	Convulsions	
	■ Difficulty drinking or feeding? → If YES, not able to drink or feed anything? □■	Not able to drink or feed anything	
	●Vomiting? ■If yes, vomits everything?	Vomits everything	
ď	 Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays. Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays 	 Red eye for 4 days or more 	Red eye less
		Red eye with visual problem	
	Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast feeding, injury)? See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.	Other problem to refer:	
LOOK			
	Chast indrawing? (FOR ALL CHILDREN)	Chest indrawing	
₫	 IF COUGH, count breaths in 1 minute: 63 breaths per minute Fast breathing: Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more 		Ŋ Fast breathing
	● Very sleepy or unconscious?	Very sleepy or unconscious	
	▲ Balmar pallor	Palmar pallor	
	For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC tape colour: <u>Yellow</u>	Red on MUAC tape	
	Swelling of both feet?	□ Swelling of both feet	
1.	Decide: Refer or treat child		Tf NO Dencen

1. Decide: Refer or treat child (tick decision)

□ If ANY Danger Sign or other problem, refer to health facility If NO Danger Sign, treat at home and advise caregiver

Child 3: Karen Shabani

Sick Child Recording Form

(for community-based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)

Date: 16/7/2008 (Day / Month / Year) HSA: Lameck Chirwa Child's First Name: Karen_Surname Skabani Age: __Years/_3_Months Boy /(Girl) Caregiver's name: Mona Shbani Relationship: Mother / Father(/ Other:) Aunt Village / TA: Chamba / Zobwe Physical Address: Tikambe Estate

1. Identify problems

ASK	and LOOK	Any DANGER SIGN or other problem to refer?	SICK but NO Danger Sign?	
	What are the child's problems? If not reported, then ask to be			
sure. YES , s	ign present →Tick □ NO sign → Circle			
Ą	■ Cough? If yes, for how long? <u>3</u> days	□ Cough for 21 days or more		
	Diarrhoea (loose stools)? IF YES, for how long?days.	Diarrhoea for 14 days or more	□ Diarrhoea (less	
	Blood in stool?	□ Blood in stool	than 14 days AND no blood in stool)	
	Fever (reported or now)? If yes, started <u>3</u> days ago.	□ Fever for last 7 days	□ Fever (less than 7 days)	
	Convulsions?	□ Convulsions		
	 Difficulty drinking or feeding? Sore throat, IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything? 	□ Not able to drink or feed anything		
	<pre>vomiting? If yes, vomits everything?</pre>	□ Vomits everything		
	Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays. Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays	Red eye for 4 days or more		
		Red eye with visual problem	□ Red eye less than 4 days	
	Iny other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast feeding, injury)? See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.	Other problem to refer:		
LO	OK:			
	Ohest indrawing? (FOR ALL CHILDREN)	□ Chest indrawing		
	IF COUGH, count breaths in 1 minute: 42 breaths per minute Fast breathing: Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more		□ Fast breathing	
	Very sleepy or unconscious?	Very sleepy or unconscious		
	■ Palmar pallor	□ Palmar pallor		
	For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC tape colour: Green	□ Red on MUAC tape		
	Swelling of both feet?	□ Swelling of both feet		
	 Decide: Refer or treat child (tick decision) 	■ If ANY Danger Sign or other problem, refer to health facility	↓ JIF NO Danger Sign, treat at hor and advise caregiv	

and advise caregiver

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Discussion: Help a child get care at the health facility

Objective

• Identify how to help families take their children to the health facility to prevent delays in treatment for a child with danger signs.

The story about Dumisani Makuluni in the text helps participants begin to think about how they can support families as they refer their children to the health facility. Local conditions will differ. The discussion should encourage participants to address common barriers to referral and contributions to delays in treatment in their communities.

Process

- 1. Lead a brief discussion on what the Health Surveillance Assistant did to help Dumisani get care. Ask the questions in the Manual.
- 2. Normally, Health Surveillance Assistants will refer children to the nearest health facility. There a health worker will assess and treat the child, or refer the child to the hospital for special care. Discuss if it is ever appropriate for a child from your community to go directly to the hospital or to the health centre. [NTF: This issue will have been discussed during the facilitator training. Advise the Health Surveillance Assistants, based on the guidance you have received from your trainer.]

ANNEX A. CARD GAMES Identify and Treat Childhood Illness

Purpose

- To review the danger signs requiring urgent referral of a sick child to the hospital.
- To review correct treatments—home treatment or referral—for children with signs of illness.
- To assess the Health Surveillance Assistant's knowledge of these tasks.

There are two ways to use these cards:

- 1. Use the card sets as recommended in the Facilitator Notes during the group discussion.
- 2. The cards can also be used in sorting games with individual Health Surveillance Assistants, as described in the games below. They can be used during free time, for example, when waiting for everyone to arrive in the morning, return from lunch, or return from the clinic.

Adapt the games to review knowledge areas, as needed. Use only the cards of signs that have been introduced in the class.

Encourage the HSA to the Sick Child Recording Form to guide them in sorting the cards according to the labels.

Prepare

TIP: Adjust the game to fit the individuals in the group. Pair persons by different strengths. One person can read the cards, while the other puts them into stacks.

- 2. **LABEL CARDS**—copy label cards onto coloured cardboard or paper.
 - a. Set 1: Fast breathing **FAST BREATHING** and **NO FAST BREATHING**
 - b. Set 2: Danger signs (1)
 DANGER SIGN and NO DANGER SIGN
 c. Set 3:
 - DANGER SIGN—REFER URGENTLY and NO DANGER SIGN--TREAT
- 3. **Children cards--**on a different colour cardboard, copy the CHILDREN CARDS describing children with different signs of illness.
- 4. Then, cut the cards on the lines to separate them.

Use the blank cards to write additional labels and signs, including **Other Problems.** A Health Surveillance Assistant should refer all **Other Problems** for assessment and treatment. These include conditions for which the worker has not been trained or the worker does not know how to treat. Other problems also include conditions for which the worker or does not have the drug or other means to treat the child.

Once you have started one person on a card game, then that person can teach another, until everyone in the class has played the cards.

Game 1: Identify fast breathing

- 1. Sit at a table with the Health Surveillance Assistant. Explain that the purpose of the game is to identify the children with danger signs.
- 2. Place the LABEL CARDS **FAST BREATHING** and **NO FAST BREATHING** on the table in front of the Health Surveillance Assistant. Explain that these are the stack labels for sorting the cards describing the breathing rates of children of different ages.
- 3. Refer to the first card in the stack of CHILDREN CARDS (Set 1. Identify fast breathing). Ask the Health Surveillance Assistant, "Does this child have fast breathing?" Place the card in the correct pile.
- 4. If the Health Surveillance Assistant does not know which stack to put the card in, discuss it. Refer the Health Surveillance Assistant to the Sick Child Recording Form to find the answer.
- 5. Ask the Health Surveillance Assistant to complete the set of cards sorting each into the correct pile.

Game 2: Identify danger signs

- 1. Sit at a table with the Health Surveillance Assistant. Explain that the purpose of the game is to identify the children with danger signs.
- 2. Place the LABEL CARDS **DANGER SIGN—REFER URGENTLY** and **NO DANGER SIGN—TREAT** on the table in front of the Health Surveillance Assistant. Explain that these are the stack labels for sorting the cards describing children with signs of illness.

3. Refer to the first card in the stack of CHILDREN CARDS. Use Set 2(*Ask Caregiver*) or Set 3. (*Ask caregiver and Look for sign*) depending on whether you have covered the danger signs identified by the caregiver's report and/or by looking for danger signs. Ask the Health Surveillance Assistant to place the card in the correct pile.

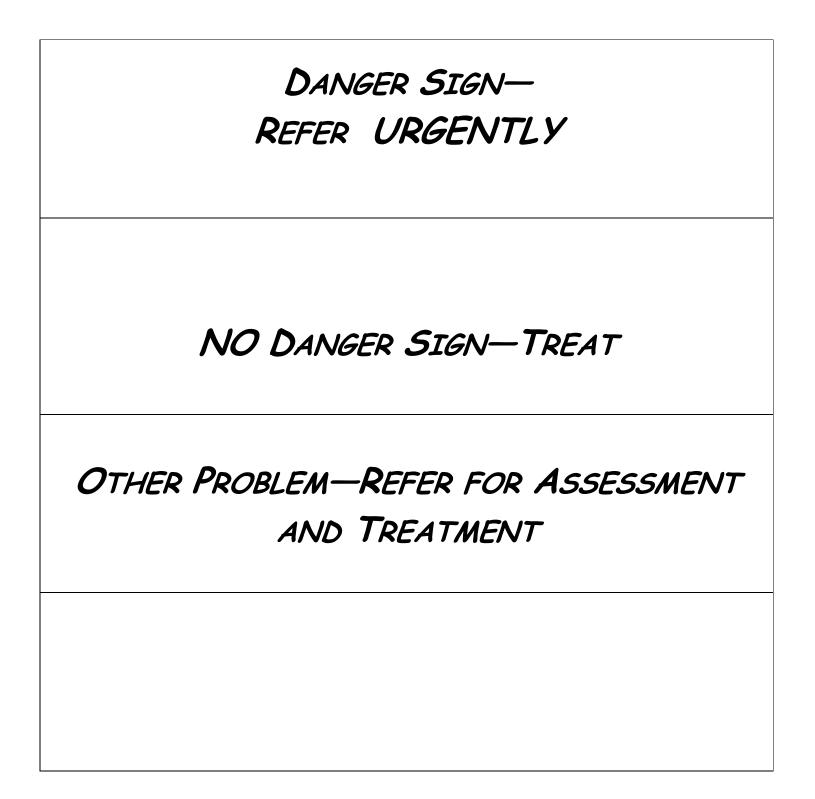
If the Health Surveillance Assistant does not know which stack to put the card in, discuss it. Refer the Health Surveillance Assistant to the Sick Child Recording Form to find the answer.

Game 3: Select treatment

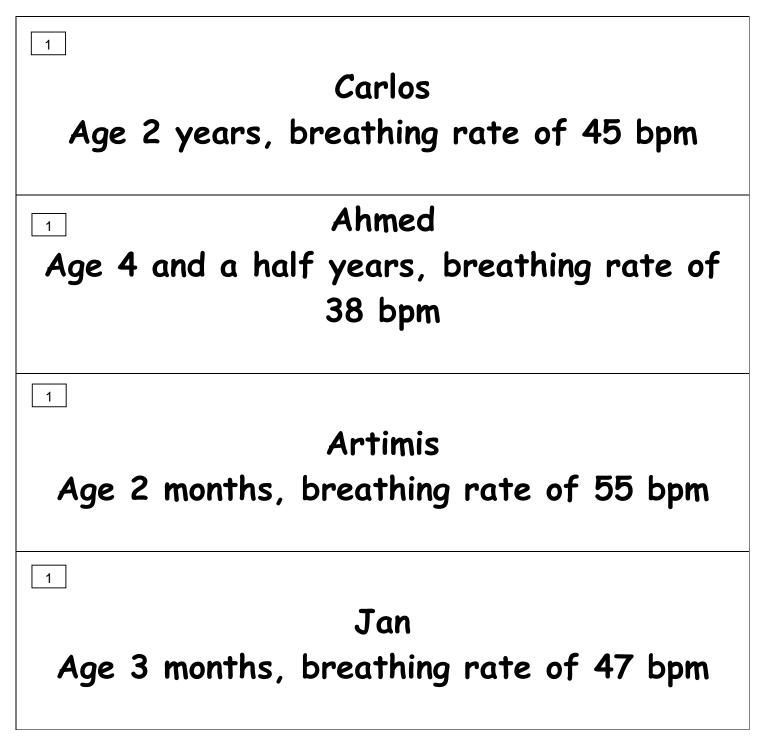
Complete Game 2 above with one or both of these additional steps:

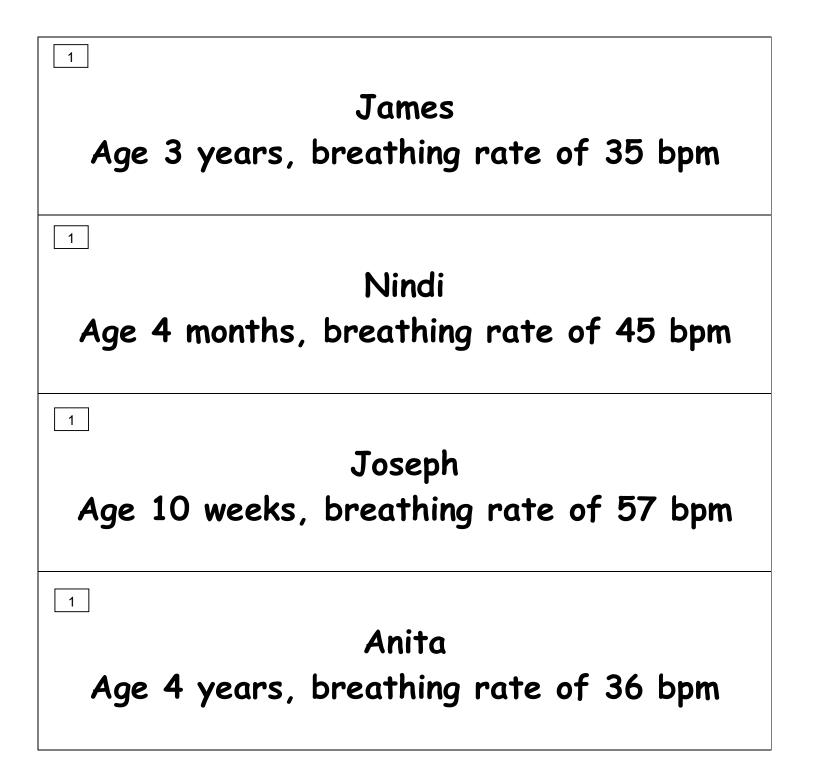
- 4. For two or three cards in the stack **NO DANGER SIGN**—**TREAT**, ask the Health Surveillance Assistant to tell what home care is needed.
- 5. For two or three cards in the stack **DANGER SIGN**—**REFER URGENTLY**, ask the Health Surveillance Assistant to tell what needs to be done to assist referral.
- 6. To check the answers, refer participants to the Sick Child Recording Form.

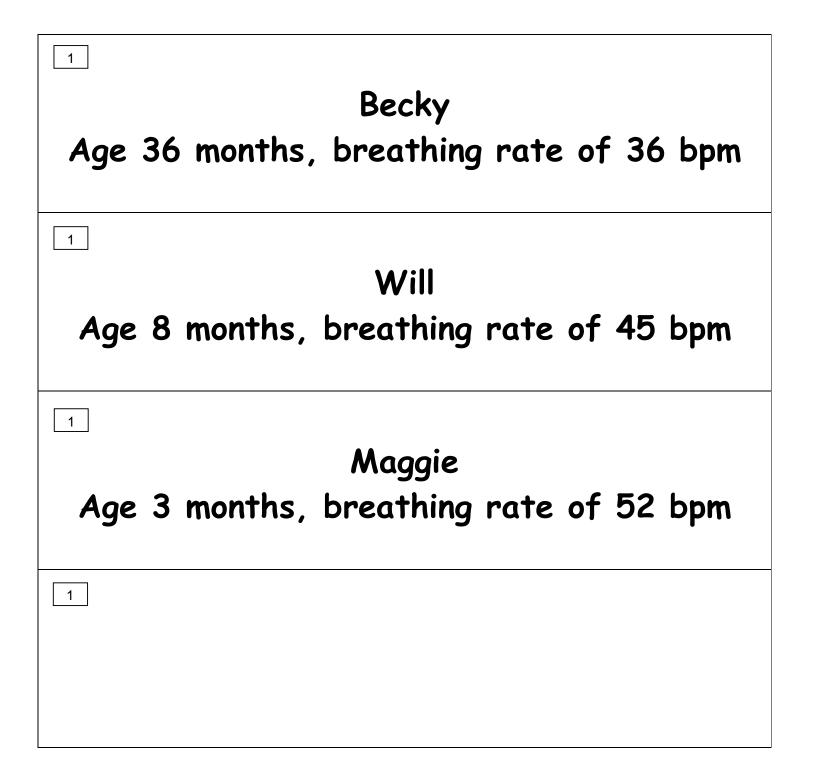
LABEL CARDS



CHILDREN CARDS SET 1. IDENTIFY FAST BREATHING

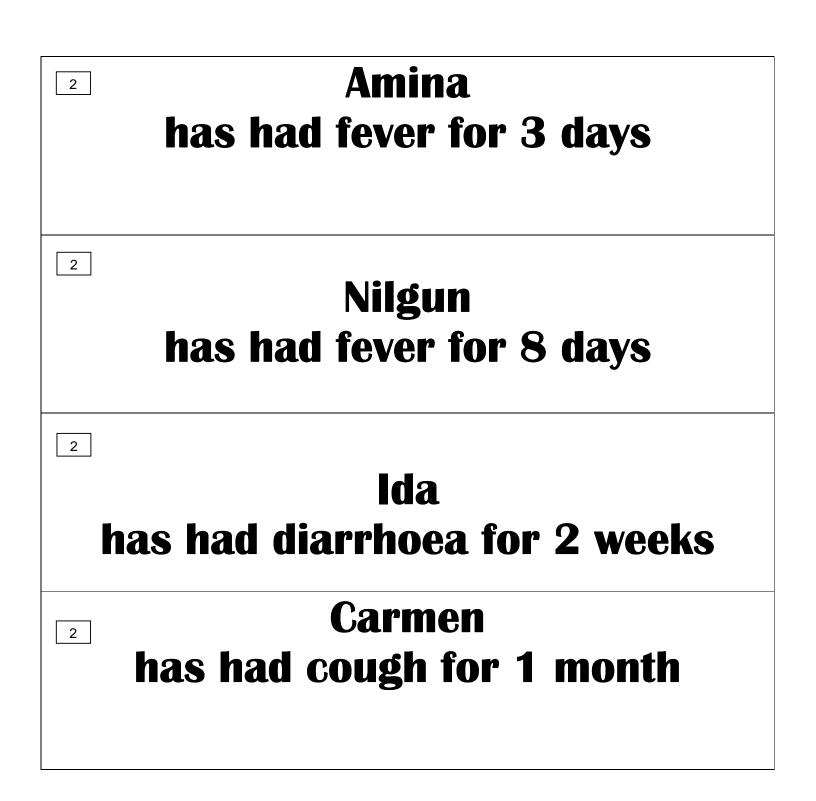


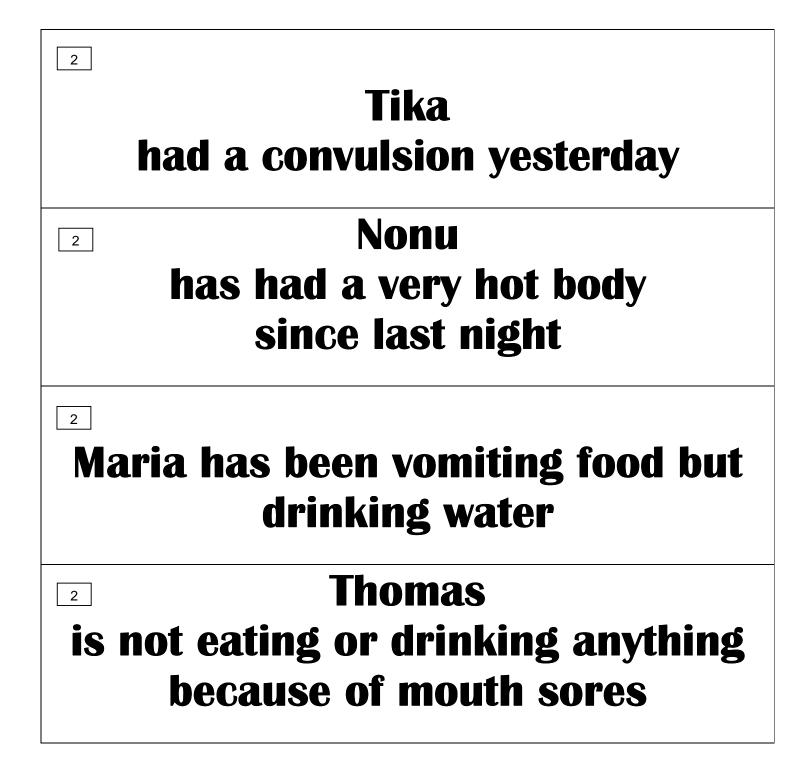




CHILDREN CARDS Set 2. Ask Caregiver

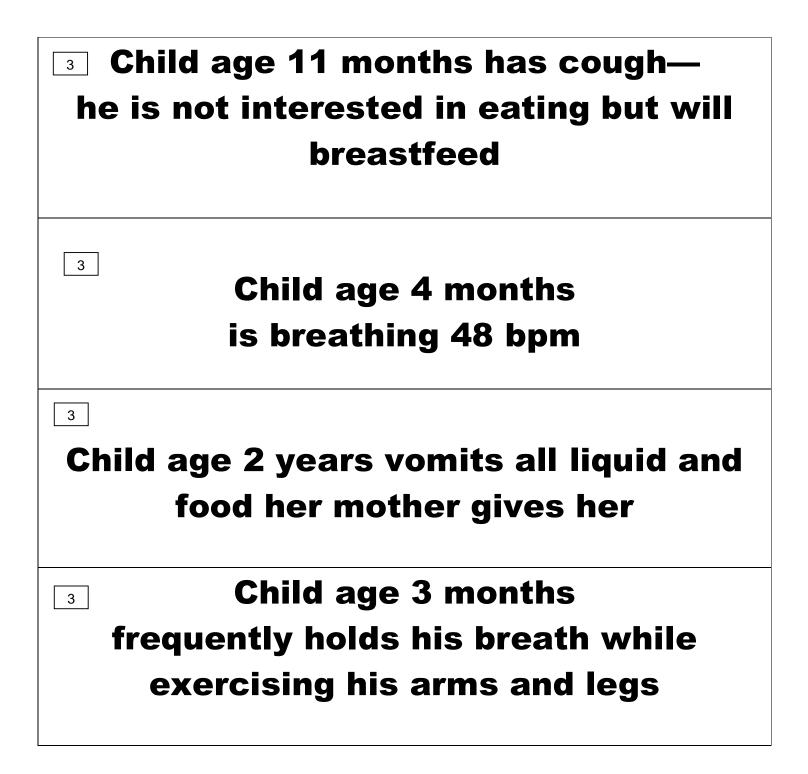




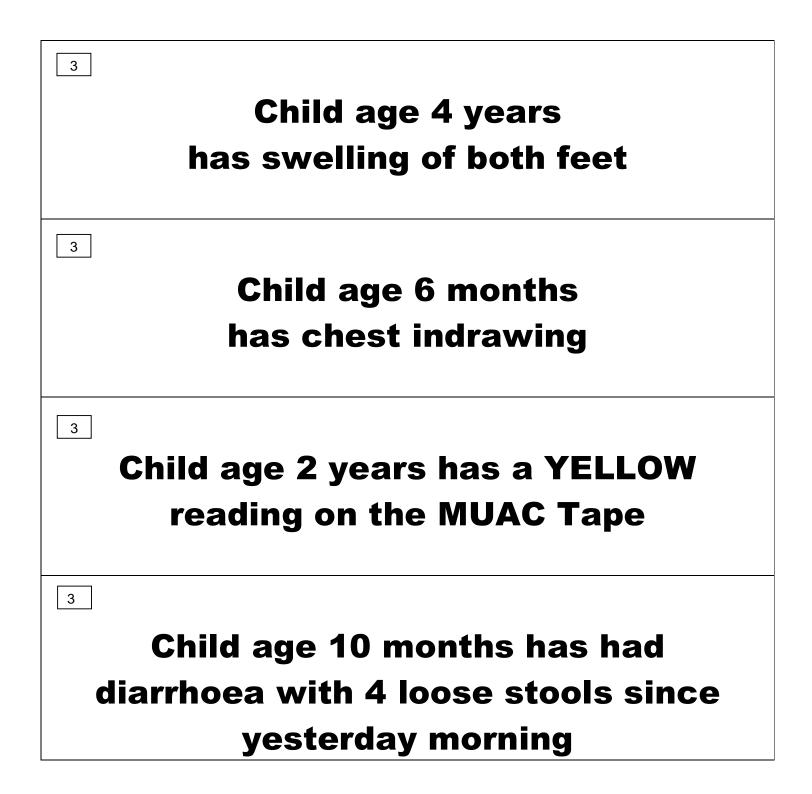


CHILDREN CARDS

SET 3. ASK CAREGIVER AND LOOK FOR SIGNS

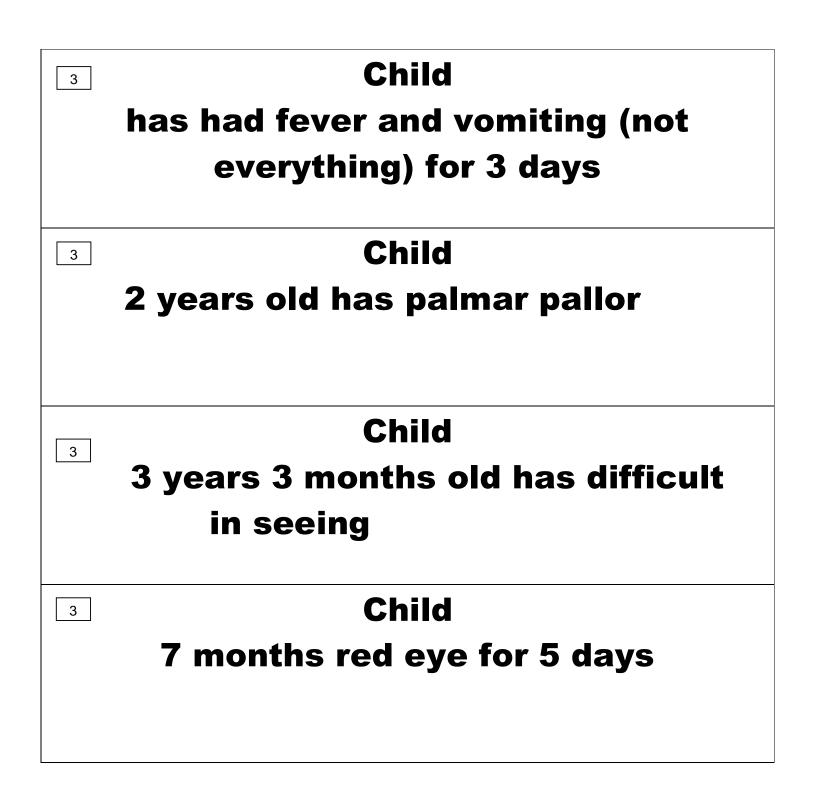


3
Child age 12 months
is too weak to drink or eat anything
3
Child age 3 years with cough cannot
swallow
Child age 10 months
vomits ground food but will breastfeed for
short periods of time
Arms and legs of child,
age 4 months, stiffen and shudder for 2
or 3 minutes at a time



3 Child age 8 months has a RED reading on the MUAC Tape	
3	
Child age 36 months	
has had a very hot body since last night	
Child age 4 years	
has loose and smelly stools	
with white mucus	
3 Child age 4 months has	
chest indrawing while breastfeeding	

3
Child age 4 and a half years
has been coughing for 2 months
3
Child age 2 years has diarrhoea with
blood in her stools
Child age 2 years has had
diarrhoea for 1 week with no blood in
her stools
3
Child age 18 months has had a low
fever (not very high) for 2 weeks



ANNEX C. FORMS FOR COPYING

Sick Child Recording Form

(for community-based treatment of child age 2 months up to 5 years)				
Date://	_ (Day / Month / Year)		HSA:	
Child's First Name:	Surname	_ Age:	Years/Months	B oy / Girl
Caregiver's name:	Relationship	: Mothe	r / Father / Other: _	
Physical Address:	- 	Village /	ΤΑ:	

2. Identify problems

	ASK and LOOK	Any DANGER SIGN?	SICK but NO Danger Sign?
then	What are the child's problems? If not reported, ask to be sure: sign present → Tick Q NO sign → Circle		
	Cough? If yes, for how long? days	Cough for 21 days or more	
	Diarrhoea (loose stools)? IF YES, for how long?days.	 Diarrhoea for 14 days or more 	Diarrhoea (less than 14 days AND
	Blood in stool?	Blood in stool	no blood in stool)
	Fever (reported or now)? If yes, started days ago.	Fever for last 7 days	 Fever (less than 7 days)
	Convulsions?	Convulsions	
	Difficulty drinking or feeding? IF YES, not able to drink or feed anything?	 Not able to drink or feed anything 	
	■ Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything? □ ■	Vomits everything	
	 Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays. Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how long 	□ Red eye for 4 days or more	□ Red eye (less than
	days	Red eye with visual problem	4 days)
	Any other problem I cannot treat (E.g. problem in breast feeding, injury)? See 5 If any OTHER PROBLEMS, refer.	Other problem to refer:	
LOO			
	Chest indrawing? (FOR ALL CHILDREN)	□ Chest indrawing	1
	IF COUGH, count breaths in 1 minute: breaths per minute (bpm) Fast breathing:		□ Fast breathing
	Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more		
	Very sleepy or unconscious?	Very sleepy or unconscious	
	Palmar pallor	Palmar pallor	
	For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC tape colour:	Red on MUAC tape	
	Swelling of both feet?	Swelling of both feet	
			↓
	2. Decide: Refer or treat child (tick decision)	□ If ANY Danger Sign,	□ If NO Danger Sign, treat at home and

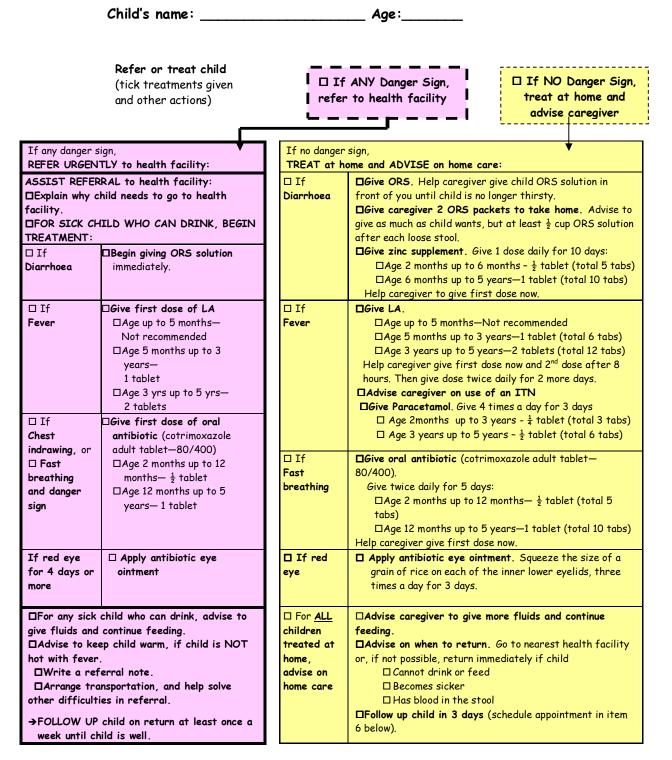
refer to health facility

(tick decision)

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treat at home and

advise careaiver



4. CHECK	Age	Vaccine		➔ Advise
VACĊŹNES RECEIVED	Birth	□ ■ BCG	□ ■ <i>O</i> PV-0	caregiver, if needed:
(tick □	6 weeks*	□ ■ DPT—Hib + HepB 1	□ ■ <i>O</i> PV-1	WHEN is the
vaccines completed,	10 weeks*	□ ■ DPT—Hib + HepB 2	□ ■ OPV-2	next vaccine
circle	14 weeks*	□ ■ DPT—Hib + HepB 3	□ ■ OPV-3	to be given?
vaccines missed)	9 months	🗆 🔳 Measles		WHERE?

*Keep an interval of 4 weeks between DPT-Hib + HepB and OPV doses. Do not give OPV 0 if the child is 14 days or more

Referral note from Health Surveillance Assistant: Sick Child

Child's First Name: ______ Surname _____ Age: __Years/__Months Boy / Girl

Caregiver's name: ______ Relationship: Mother / Father / Other: ____

_____Village / TA____ Physical Address:____

The child has (tick □ sign, circle ■ no sign):	Reason for referral:	Treatment given:
Cough? If yes, for how long? days	Cough for 21 days or more	
Diamphaga (lagga stagle)? daya	Diarrhoea for 14 days or	Oral Rehydration
■ Diarrhoea (loose stools)?days.	more	Salts (ORS) solution
If diarrhoea, blood in stool?	Blood in stool	for diarrhoea
Fever (reported or now)? days.	Fever for last 7 days	
■ Convulsions?	Convulsions	LA for fever
Difficulty drinking or feeding?	Not able to drink or feed	
If yes, \Box not able to drink or feed anything?	anything	
Vomiting? If yes, vomits everything?	Vomits everything	
■ Red eyes? If yes, for how longdays. □	Red eye for 4 days or more	Antibiotic eye ointment
■Difficulty in seeing? If Yes for how longdays	Red eye with visual problem	
Chest indrawing?	Chest Indrawing	Oral antibiotic
IF COUGH, breaths in 1 minute:		cotrimoxazole for
Fast breathing:		chest indrawing or
□ Age 2 months up to 12 months: 50 bpm or more		fast breathing
□ Age 12 months up to 5 years: 40 bpm or more		, as i bi carriing
Very sleepy or unconscious?	Very sleepy or unconscious	
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For child 6 months up to 5 years, MUAC Tape	Red on MUAC Tape	
colour:	L Red on MORE Tupe	
Swelling of both feet?	Swelling of both feet	

Any OTHER PROBLEM or reason referred: _____

Referred to (name of health facility): _____

Referred by (name of HSA):_____Date: _____ Time: _____

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FEEDBACK FROM HEALTH FACILITY (Please give feedback)

Date Child's identified problem(s)	:
Treatments given and actions taken	:
Advice given and to be followed	:
Name of attending clinician	;
Signature	:
Name of Health Facility	: