# Advocacy Priorities 2025



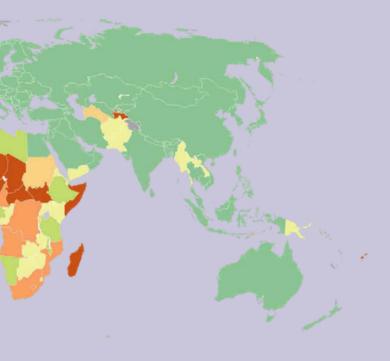


A renewed call to reduce child deaths with a special focus on 1-59 month children in the 60 countries that are off-track to achieve the child survival Sustainable **Development Goal (SDG 3.2)** 

1–59-months mortality rate achievement status and required acceleration

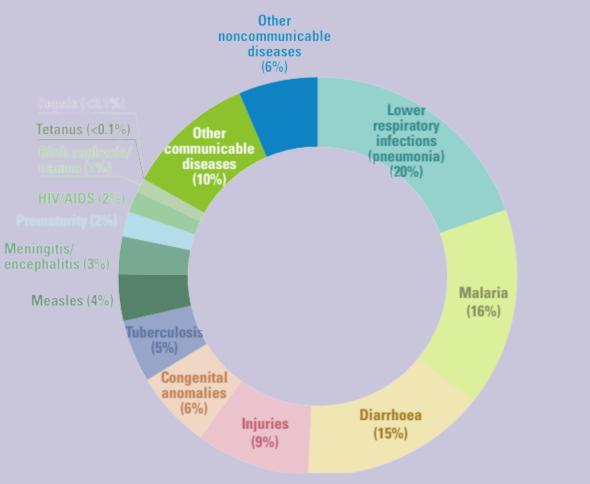
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# A razor focus on increasing coverage of the most effective interventions that prevent, diagnose, and treat the leading killers of 1–59 month children



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# What 5 advocacy

To build a movement of global, regional, national, and local organizations advocating together for the policies and investments that will accelerate reductions in child deaths, with a special focus on off-track countries



WHO Regional Committee for Africa Meeting, 2024



# A C VOGACY

Increased investment in interventions proven to prevent, diagnose, and treat the leading causes of 1-59 month death:

• pneumonia, malaria, diarrhea, congenital anomalies, tuberculosis, measles, etc

Increased investment in interventions proven to reduce the major risks factors for 1-59 month child death:

• malnutrition, unsafe water and sanitation, no access to handwashing with soap, air pollution, etc



www.childmortality.org/causes-of-death/





# ACVOGACY

Encourage child survival stakeholders to track at least the following five targets to measure progress:

- 90% coverage of vaccines preventing the leading causes of child death (pneumonia, diarrhea, malaria, measles, meningitis)
- 90% careseeking for children with suspected pneumonia
- 90% coverage of ORS and zinc to treat diarrhea
- 90% population access to safely managed drinking water
- 90% population access to safely managed sanitation



WHO/UNICEF estimates of national immunization coverage

Targets regularly measured and published by country

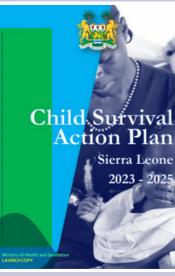




# ACVOCACY f 💿 🧃

Strengthen partnerships and coordination with sister advocacy efforts at the global, regional, and national levels, including:

- Every Woman, Every Newborn, Everywhere (EWENE)
- Partnership for Maternal, Newborn, and Child Health (PMNCH)
- African Union Commission (CARMMA Plus)
- Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance
- Child Survival Action Pathfinder Countries Burkina Faso, Guinea, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Sudan





Sierra Leone Child Survival Action Plan 2023-2



# Advocacy Dror

Collaborate with global, regional, and national partners to capitalize on key policy windows for child survival, including:

- UN IGME Report
- Nutrition For Growth Summit
- Countdown 2030 Report
- World Immunization Week and African Vaccination Week
- Gavi Replenishment
- CARMMA+ regional economic community launches
- World Health Assembly
- UN High Level Political Forum
- Innovation and Action for Immunization and Child Survival
- WHO Regional Meeting for Africa





Healthy beginnings, hopeful futures.

**WHO World Health Day** Campaign 2025



# Advocacy highlights 2025

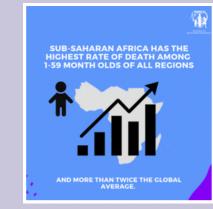
Social media campaign to support UN IGME Report launch, March 2025



Creation of 1-59 month messages in PMNCH campaign, April 2025



# Launch of Child Survival Call to Action at Nutrition for Growth, March 2025







# Who afe We?

Child Survival Action is a special initiative of the Child Health Task Force founded by the Global Financing Facility (GFF), Save the Children, UNICEF, USAID, and WHO. Three action teams: Country Engagement, Advocacy, and Results Framework/Accountability drive the work.

Find out more: https://www.childhealthtaskforce.org/hubs/childsurvival-action

# Find us on social media at #ChildSurvivalAction

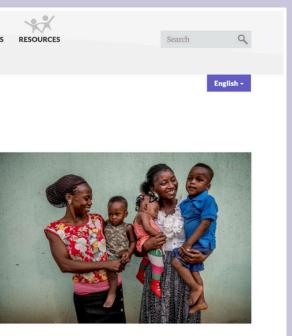


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# **Child Survival Action**

"Think of the baby born in Sierra Leone today, does that baby have a voice of its own? The voiceless need to be defended"

– Sierra Leone Minister of Health





Examples of Child Survival Action Advocacy 2025



# **Call to Action in support of** Nutrition for Growth

We call on all organizations with a child survival mandate to commit to concrete actions to ensure that the most lifesaving nutrition prevention, diagnosis, and treatment services reach all of the children who need them.



Nutrition for Growth Summit, 27 March 2025

# More than half of all child deaths are among children aged 1-59 months

deaths.

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# Children 1-59 months account for 2.5 million of the tragic 4.8 million child



# Progress in reducing 1-59 month child deaths is slowing

The global mortality rate for children 1-59 months decreased by 4.4% annually between 2000 and 2015 but

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# slowed to 2.7% between 2015 and 2023.

# 49 countries are not on track to reduce 1-59 month deaths

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# 1-59 month children in Africa face the highest risk of death

than twice the global average.

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# The highest 1-59 month mortality rate is in sub-Saharan Africa - 30 times higher than the lowest regional rate and more

# Three infections cause one half of all 1-59 month deaths



Among 1-59 month olds, three deaths.

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# infections -pneumonia, malaria, and diarrhoea - account for half of all