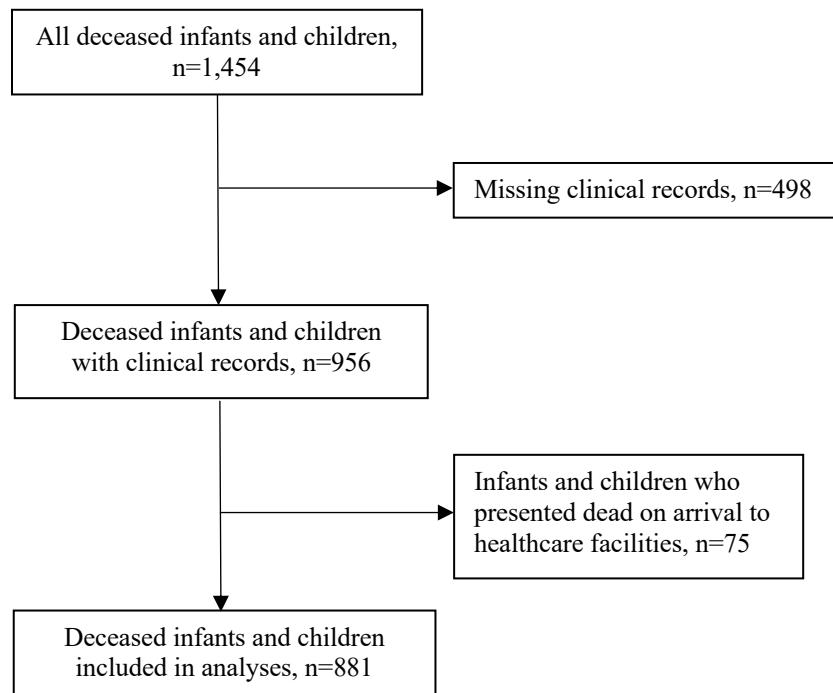


Supplemental Figure 1. Description of included cases of mortality among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died in one of seven sites in the Child Health and Mortality Prevention Surveillance Network



Supplemental Table 1. Comparison of included population (N=881) to those deaths in healthcare facilities with missing clinical records (N=498) who died from 2016-2022.

| | Included in Analyses, n (%) | Excluded due to missing clinical records, n (%) | P value |
|--|-----------------------------|---|---------|
| Age in months (median, IQR)* | 11 (4, 21) | 11 (4, 24) | 0.856 |
| Female | 417 (47.3) | 220 (44.2) | 0.261 |
| Site | | | |
| Bangladesh | 29 (3.3) | 43 (8.6) | <0.001 |
| Ethiopia | 22 (2.5) | 69 (13.9) | <0.001 |
| Kenya | 228 (25.9) | 50 (10.0) | <0.001 |
| Mali | 135 (15.3) | 100 (20.1) | 0.025 |
| Mozambique | 88 (10.0) | 184 (36.9) | <0.001 |
| Sierra Leone | 215 (24.4) | 37 (7.4) | <0.001 |
| South Africa | 164 (18.6) | 15 (3.0) | <0.001 |
| Most Common Causes of Death Anywhere in Causal Chain of Death | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infections | 274 (31.1) | 53 (10.6) | <0.001 |
| Sepsis | 258 (29.3) | 35 (7.0) | <0.001 |
| Malnutrition | 167 (19.0) | 27 (5.4) | <0.001 |
| Malaria | 142 (16.1) | 12 (2.4) | <0.001 |
| Diarrheal diseases | 90 (10.2) | 19 (3.8) | <0.001 |
| HIV | 68 (7.7) | 8 (1.6) | <0.001 |
| Congenital birth defects | 63 (7.2) | 6 (1.2) | <0.001 |
| Anemias | 93 (10.6) | 2 (0.4) | <0.001 |
| Other respiratory disease | 50 (5.7) | 4 (0.8) | <0.001 |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 49 (5.6) | 9 (1.8) | 0.001 |

*Two cases had missing age but were categorized as infants or children at the time of death. P-values from Fisher's exact test and Kruskal-Wallis test.

Supplemental Table 2. Causes of death and location in causal chain among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022

| Immediate Causes of Death Determined Postmortem | n (%) |
|--|------------|
| Sepsis | 189 (21.5) |
| Lower respiratory infections | 125 (14.2) |
| Malaria | 49 (5.6) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 30 (3.4) |
| Other respiratory disease | 29 (3.3) |
| Anemias | 29 (3.3) |
| Meningitis | 13 (1.5) |
| Other infections | 13 (1.5) |
| Liver disease | 4 (0.5) |
| Other disorders of fluid, electrolyte, and acid-base balance | 2 (0.2) |
| Poisoning | 3 (0.3) |
| Underlying Causes of Death Determined Postmortem | |
| Malnutrition | 119 (13.5) |
| Malaria | 77 (8.7) |
| HIV | 68 (7.7) |
| Lower respiratory infections | 51 (5.8) |
| Congenital birth defects | 58 (6.6) |
| Diarrheal disease | 45 (5.1) |
| Sepsis | 33 (3.7) |
| Neonatal preterm birth complications | 33 (3.7) |
| Injury | 23 (2.6) |
| Other infections | 12 (1.4) |
| Comorbid Causes of Death Determined Postmortem | |
| Lower respiratory infections | 110 (12.5) |
| Sepsis | 58 (6.6) |
| Anemias | 63 (7.2) |
| Malnutrition | 47 (5.3) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 34 (3.9) |
| Malaria | 35 (4.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 25 (2.8) |
| Other respiratory diseases | 15 (1.7) |
| Other infections | 21 (2.4) |

Supplemental Table 3. Distribution of the antemortem clinical diagnoses and postmortem causes of death for N=881 deceased infants and children aged 1-59 months enrolled in CHAMPS sites from 2016 to 2022.

| Clinical diagnoses | Postmortem Determined Cause of Death Anywhere in the Causal Chain of Death | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--|---------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | Lower respiratory tract infections, n (%) | Sepsis, n (%) | Malnutrition, n (%) | Malaria, n (%) | Diarrheal diseases, n (%) | HIV, n (%) | Congenital birth defects, n (%) | Anemias, n (%) | Other respiratory diseases, n (%) | Meningitis/encephalitis, n (%) |
| | N=274 | N=258 | N=167 | N=142 | N=90 | N=68 | N=63 | N=93 | N=50 | N=49 |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 130 (47.4) | 72 (27.9) | 53 (31.7) | 28 (19.7) | 20 (22.2) | 31 (45.6) | 30 (47.6) | 25 (26.9) | 22 (44.0) | 13 (26.5) |
| Sepsis | 84 (30.7) | 96 (37.2) | 26 (15.6) | 9 (6.3) | 15 (16.7) | 17 (25.0) | 26 (41.3) | 10 (10.8) | 12 (24.0) | 21 (42.9) |
| Malnutrition | 83 (30.3) | 78 (30.2) | 77 (46.1) | 32 (22.5) | 30 (33.3) | 38 (55.9) | 12 (19.0) | 24 (25.8) | 9 (18.0) | 13 (26.5) |
| Malaria | 53 (19.3) | 45 (17.4) | 64 (38.3) | 114 (80.3) | 23 (25.6) | 17 (25.0) | 6 (9.5) | 64 (68.8) | 14 (28.0) | 2 (4.1) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 90 (32.8) | 88 (34.1) | 65 (38.9) | 38 (26.8) | 74 (82.2) | 27 (39.7) | 11 (17.5) | 24 (25.8) | 17 (34.0) | 7 (14.3) |
| HIV | 36 (13.1) | 20 (7.8) | 6 (3.6) | 11 (7.7) | 7 (7.8) | 45 (66.2) | 0 (0) | 5 (5.4) | 4 (8.0) | 4 (8.2) |
| Congenital birth defects | 30 (10.9) | 22 (8.5) | 7 (4.2) | 1 (0.7) | 1 (1.1) | 2 (2.9) | 35 (55.6) | 0 (0) | 8 (16.0) | 8 (16.3) |
| Anemias | 48 (17.5) | 53 (20.5) | 36 (21.6) | 37 (26.1) | 14 (15.6) | 19 (27.9) | 6 (9.5) | 34 (36.6) | 10 (20.0) | 8 (16.3) |
| Other respiratory diseases ¹ | 19 (6.9) | 19 (7.4) | 4 (2.4) | 5 (3.5) | 4 (4.4) | 4 (5.9) | 12 (19.0) | 4 (4.3) | 13 (26.0) | 4 (8.2) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 29 (10.6) | 25 (9.7) | 5 (3.0) | 3 (2.1) | 2 (2.2) | 5 (7.4) | 9 (14.3) | 4 (4.3) | 6 (12.0) | 14 (28.6) |

¹Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 4. Performance of clinician antemortem diagnosis compared with postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months enrolled in CHAMPS sites from 2016 to 2022.

| Postmortem Determined Cause of Death | Positive likelihood ratio (95% CI) | Negative likelihood ratio (95% CI) | Diagnostic odds ratio (95% CI) | Correctly classified proportion (95% CI) | Apparent prevalence (95% CI) | True prevalence (95% CI) | Youden's index (95% CI) | Number needed to diagnose (95% CI) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Lower respiratory tract infections | 2.04 (1.69, 2.47) | 0.68 (0.61, 0.77) | 2.98 (2.20, 4.04) | 0.677 (0.644, 0.707) | 0.308 (0.277, 0.339) | 0.311 (0.281, 0.343) | 0.242 (0.146, 0.336) | 4.1 (3.0, 6.8) |
| Sepsis | 3.68 (2.77, 4.88) | 0.70 (0.63, 0.77) | 5.27 (3.67, 7.57) | 0.745 (0.714, 0.773) | 0.180 (0.156, 0.207) | 0.293 (0.263, 0.324) | 0.271 (0.185, 0.356) | 3.7 (2.8, 5.4) |
| Malnutrition | 2.70 (2.14, 3.40) | 0.65 (0.56, 0.75) | 4.15 (2.89, 5.96) | 0.759 (0.730, 0.787) | 0.226 (0.199, 0.255) | 0.190 (0.164, 0.217) | 0.290 (0.183, 0.396) | 3.4 (2.5, 5.5) |
| Malaria | 3.55 (3.04, 4.15) | 0.25 (0.18, 0.36) | 13.95 (8.91, 21.82) | 0.779 (0.750, 0.806) | 0.319 (0.288, 0.351) | 0.161 (0.137, 0.187) | 0.577 (0.470, 0.668) | 1.7 (1.5, 2.1) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 3.32 (2.84, 3.87) | 0.24 (0.15, 0.37) | 14.04 (7.99, 24.68) | 0.759 (0.730, 0.787) | 0.306 (0.276, 0.338) | 0.102 (0.083, 0.124) | 0.574 (0.448, 0.677) | 1.7 (1.5, 2.2) |
| HIV | 67.25 (33.06, 136.81) | 0.34 (0.24, 0.48) | 196.88 (83.42, 464.64) | 0.965 (0.950, 0.976) | 0.060 (0.045, 0.078) | 0.077 (0.060, 0.097) | 0.652 (0.518, 0.768) | 1.5 (1.3, 1.9) |
| Congenital birth defects | 9.88 (6.91, 14.12) | 0.47 (0.36, 0.62) | 20.98 (11.76, 37.44) | 0.916 (0.896, 0.933) | 0.092 (0.074, 0.113) | 0.072 (0.055, 0.091) | 0.499 (0.351, 0.639) | 2.0 (1.6, 2.9) |
| Anemias | 2.12 (1.56, 2.88) | 0.77 (0.65, 0.90) | 2.76 (1.74, 4.38) | 0.779 (0.750, 0.806) | 0.193 (0.167, 0.221) | 0.106 (0.086, 0.128) | 0.193 (0.067, 0.325) | 5.2 (3.1, 14.9) |
| Other respiratory diseases* | 6.35 (3.59, 11.26) | 0.77 (0.65, 0.91) | 8.24 (4.01, 16.91) | 0.919 (0.899, 0.937) | 0.053 (0.039, 0.070) | 0.057 (0.042, 0.074) | 0.219 (0.090, 0.375) | 4.6 (2.7, 11.2) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 4.40 (2.64, 7.35) | 0.76 (0.64, 0.91) | 5.76 (2.92, 11.36) | 0.899 (0.877, 0.918) | 0.077 (0.060, 0.097) | 0.056 (0.041, 0.073) | 0.221 (0.082, 0.383) | 4.5 (2.6, 12.2) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 5. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022 by CHAMPS site

| Disease | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Bangladesh, N=29 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infections | 0 (0) | 21 (72.4) | 7 (24.1) | 1 (3.4) | 0.0 (0.0, 97.5) | 75.0 (55.1, 89.3) | 0.0 (0.0, 41.0) | 95.5 (77.2, 99.9) |
| Sepsis | 2 (6.9) | 25 (86.2) | 1 (3.4) | 1 (3.4) | 66.7 (9.4, 99.2) | 96.2 (80.4, 99.9) | 66.7 (9.4, 99.2) | 96.2 (80.4, 99.9) |
| Malnutrition | 1 (3.4) | 28 (96.6) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 100.0 (87.7, 100.0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 100.0 (87.7, 100.0) |
| Malaria | 0 (0) | 29 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 1 (3.4) | 27 (93.1) | 1 (3.4) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 96.4 (81.7, 99.9) | 50.0 (1.3, 98.7) | 100.0 (87.2, 100.0) |
| HIV | 0 (0) | 29 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) |
| Congenital birth defects | 0 (0) | 15 (51.7) | 13 (44.8) | 1 (3.4) | 0.0 (0.0, 97.5) | 53.6 (33.9, 72.5) | 0.0 (0.0, 24.7) | 93.8 (69.8, 99.8) |
| Anemias | 0 (0) | 26 (89.7) | 2 (6.9) | 1 (3.4) | 0.0 (0.0, 97.5) | 92.9 (76.5, 99.1) | 0.0 (0.0, 84.2) | 96.3 (81.0, 99.9) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 0 (0) | 29 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 0 (0) | 29 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (88.1, 100.0) |
| Ethiopia, N=22 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 4 (18.2) | 13 (59.1) | 2 (9.1) | 3 (13.6) | 57.1 (18.4, 90.1) | 86.7 (59.5, 98.3) | 66.7 (22.3, 95.7) | 81.2 (54.4, 96.0) |
| Sepsis | 2 (9.1) | 11 (50.0) | 1 (4.5) | 8 (36.4) | 20.0 (2.5, 55.6) | 91.7 (61.5, 99.8) | 66.7 (9.4, 99.2) | 57.9 (33.5, 79.7) |
| Malnutrition | 8 (36.4) | 7 (31.8) | 4 (18.2) | 3 (13.6) | 72.7 (39.0, 94.0) | 63.6 (30.8, 89.1) | 66.7 (34.9, 90.1) | 70.0 (34.8, 93.3) |
| Malaria | 0 (0) | 22 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (84.6, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (84.6, 100.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 3 (13.6) | 14 (63.6) | 2 (9.1) | 3 (13.6) | 50.0 (11.8, 88.2) | 87.5 (61.7, 98.4) | 60.0 (14.7, 94.7) | 82.4 (56.6, 96.2) |
| HIV | 0 (0) | 22 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (84.6, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (84.6, 100.0) |
| Congenital birth defects | 0 (0) | 19 (86.4) | 3 (13.6) | 0 (0) | -- | 86.4 (65.1, 97.1) | 0.0 (0.0, 70.8) | 100.0 (82.4, 100.0) |
| Anemias | 2 (9.1) | 18 (81.8) | 2 (9.1) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (15.8, 100.0) | 90.0 (68.3, 98.8) | 50.0 (6.8, 93.2) | 100.0 (81.5, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 1 (4.5) | 21 (95.5) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 100.0 (83.9, 100.0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 100.0 (83.9, 100.0) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 1 (4.5) | 15 (68.2) | 2 (9.1) | 4 (18.2) | 20.0 (0.5, 71.6) | 88.2 (63.6, 98.5) | 33.3 (0.8, 90.6) | 78.9 (54.4, 93.9) |
| Kenya, N=228 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 32 (14.0) | 130 (57.0) | 38 (16.7) | 28 (12.3) | 53.3 (40.0, 66.3) | 77.4 (70.3, 83.5) | 45.7 (33.7, 58.1) | 82.3 (75.4, 87.9) |
| Sepsis | 15 (6.6) | 151 (66.2) | 16 (7.0) | 46 (20.2) | 24.6 (14.5, 37.3) | 90.4 (84.9, 94.4) | 48.4 (30.2, 66.9) | 76.6 (70.1, 82.4) |
| Malnutrition | 33 (14.5) | 140 (61.4) | 18 (7.9) | 37 (16.2) | 47.1 (35.1, 59.4) | 88.6 (82.6, 93.1) | 64.7 (50.1, 77.6) | 79.1 (72.4, 84.8) |
| Malaria | 46 (20.2) | 110 (48.2) | 51 (22.4) | 21 (9.2) | 68.7 (56.2, 79.4) | 68.3 (60.5, 75.4) | 47.4 (37.2, 57.8) | 84.0 (76.5, 89.8) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 26 (11.4) | 128 (56.1) | 73 (32.0) | 1 (0.4) | 96.3 (81.0, 99.9) | 63.7 (56.6, 70.3) | 26.3 (17.9, 36.1) | 99.2 (95.8, 100.0) |
| HIV | 9 (3.9) | 210 (92.1) | 0 (0) | 9 (3.9) | 50.0 (26.0, 74.0) | 100.0 (98.3, 100.0) | 100.0 (66.4, 100.0) | 95.9 (92.3, 98.1) |
| Congenital birth defects | 7 (3.1) | 209 (91.7) | 5 (2.2) | 7 (3.1) | 50.0 (23.0, 77.0) | 97.7 (94.6, 99.2) | 58.3 (27.7, 84.8) | 96.8 (93.4, 98.7) |
| Anemias | 3 (1.3) | 190 (83.3) | 35 (15.4) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (29.2, 100.0) | 84.4 (79.0, 88.9) | 7.9 (1.7, 21.4) | 100.0 (98.1, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 2 (0.9) | 212 (93.0) | 1 (0.4) | 13 (5.7) | 13.3 (1.7, 40.5) | 99.5 (97.4, 100.0) | 66.7 (9.4, 99.2) | 94.2 (90.3, 96.9) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 0 (0) | 217 (95.2) | 10 (4.4) | 1 (0.4) | 0.0 (0.0, 97.5) | 95.6 (92.0, 97.9) | 0.0 (0.0, 30.8) | 99.5 (97.5, 100.0) |
| Mali, N=135 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 4 (3.0) | 88 (65.2) | 29 (21.5) | 14 (10.4) | 22.2 (6.4, 47.6) | 75.2 (66.4, 82.7) | 12.1 (3.4, 28.2) | 86.3 (78.0, 92.3) |
| Sepsis | 3 (2.2) | 109 (80.7) | 5 (3.7) | 18 (13.3) | 14.3 (3.0, 36.3) | 95.6 (90.1, 98.6) | 37.5 (8.5, 75.5) | 85.8 (78.5, 91.4) |
| Malnutrition | 3 (2.2) | 113 (83.7) | 11 (8.1) | 8 (5.9) | 27.3 (6.0, 61.0) | 91.1 (84.7, 95.5) | 21.4 (4.7, 50.8) | 93.4 (87.4, 97.1) |
| Malaria | 2 (1.5) | 111 (82.2) | 22 (16.3) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (15.8, 100.0) | 83.5 (76.0, 89.3) | 8.3 (1.0, 27.0) | 100.0 (96.7, 100.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 4 (3.0) | 102 (75.6) | 27 (20.0) | 2 (1.5) | 66.7 (22.3, 95.7) | 79.1 (71.0, 85.7) | 12.9 (3.6, 29.8) | 98.1 (93.2, 99.8) |
| HIV | 0 (0) | 131 (97.0) | 0 (0) | 4 (3.0) | 0.0 (0.0, 60.2) | 100.0 (97.2, 100.0) | -- | 97.0 (92.6, 99.2) |
| Congenital birth defects | 2 (1.5) | 120 (88.9) | 10 (7.4) | 3 (2.2) | 40.0 (5.3, 85.3) | 92.3 (86.3, 96.2) | 16.7 (2.1, 48.4) | 97.6 (93.0, 99.5) |
| Anemias | 1 (0.7) | 116 (85.9) | 18 (13.3) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 86.6 (79.6, 91.8) | 5.3 (0.1, 26.0) | 100.0 (96.9, 100.0) |

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Other respiratory disease* | 0 (0) | 131 (97.0) | 2 (1.5) | 2 (1.5) | 0.0 (0.0, 84.2) | 98.5 (94.7, 99.8) | 0.0 (0.0, 84.2) | 98.5 (94.7, 99.8) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 1 (0.7) | 117 (86.7) | 15 (11.1) | 2 (1.5) | 33.3 (0.8, 90.6) | 88.6 (82.0, 93.5) | 6.2 (0.2, 30.2) | 98.3 (94.1, 99.8) |
| Mozambique, N=88 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 19 (21.6) | 43 (48.9) | 9 (10.2) | 17 (19.3) | 52.8 (35.5, 69.6) | 82.7 (69.7, 91.8) | 67.9 (47.6, 84.1) | 71.7 (58.6, 82.5) |
| Sepsis | 7 (8.0) | 53 (60.2) | 11 (12.5) | 17 (19.3) | 29.2 (12.6, 51.1) | 82.8 (71.3, 91.1) | 38.9 (17.3, 64.3) | 75.7 (64.0, 85.2) |
| Malnutrition | 4 (4.5) | 42 (47.7) | 41 (46.6) | 1 (1.1) | 80.0 (28.4, 99.5) | 50.6 (39.4, 61.8) | 8.9 (2.5, 21.2) | 97.7 (87.7, 99.9) |
| Malaria | 17 (19.3) | 61 (69.3) | 10 (11.4) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (80.5, 100.0) | 85.9 (75.6, 93.0) | 63.0 (42.4, 80.6) | 100.0 (94.1, 100.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 16 (18.2) | 48 (54.5) | 22 (25.0) | 2 (2.3) | 88.9 (65.3, 98.6) | 68.6 (56.4, 79.1) | 42.1 (26.3, 59.2) | 96.0 (86.3, 99.5) |
| HIV | 16 (18.2) | 66 (75.0) | 3 (3.4) | 3 (3.4) | 84.2 (60.4, 96.6) | 95.7 (87.8, 99.1) | 84.2 (60.4, 96.6) | 95.7 (87.8, 99.1) |
| Congenital birth defects | 2 (2.3) | 79 (89.8) | 4 (4.5) | 3 (3.4) | 40.0 (5.3, 85.3) | 95.2 (88.1, 98.7) | 33.3 (4.3, 77.7) | 96.3 (89.7, 99.2) |
| Anemias | 4 (4.5) | 63 (71.6) | 20 (22.7) | 1 (1.1) | 80.0 (28.4, 99.5) | 75.9 (65.3, 84.6) | 16.7 (4.7, 37.4) | 98.4 (91.6, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 3 (3.4) | 69 (78.4) | 11 (12.5) | 5 (5.7) | 37.5 (8.5, 75.5) | 86.2 (76.7, 92.9) | 21.4 (4.7, 50.8) | 93.2 (84.9, 97.8) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 1 (1.1) | 85 (96.6) | 2 (2.3) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (2.5, 100.0) | 97.7 (91.9, 99.7) | 33.3 (0.8, 90.6) | 100.0 (95.8, 100.0) |
| Sierra Leone, N=215 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 18 (8.4) | 130 (60.5) | 43 (20.0) | 24 (11.2) | 42.9 (27.7, 59.0) | 75.1 (68.0, 81.4) | 29.5 (18.5, 42.6) | 84.4 (77.7, 89.8) |
| Sepsis | 7 (3.3) | 163 (75.8) | 3 (1.4) | 42 (19.5) | 14.3 (5.9, 27.2) | 98.2 (94.8, 99.6) | 70.0 (34.8, 93.3) | 79.5 (73.3, 84.8) |
| Malnutrition | 22 (10.2) | 131 (60.9) | 23 (10.7) | 39 (18.1) | 36.1 (24.2, 49.4) | 85.1 (78.4, 90.3) | 48.9 (33.7, 64.2) | 77.1 (70.0, 83.1) |
| Malaria | 49 (22.8) | 75 (34.9) | 84 (39.1) | 7 (3.3) | 87.5 (75.9, 94.8) | 47.2 (39.2, 55.2) | 36.8 (28.6, 45.6) | 91.5 (83.2, 96.5) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 10 (4.7) | 157 (73.0) | 42 (19.5) | 6 (2.8) | 62.5 (35.4, 84.8) | 78.9 (72.6, 84.3) | 19.2 (9.6, 32.5) | 96.3 (92.2, 98.6) |
| HIV | 3 (1.4) | 206 (95.8) | 2 (0.9) | 4 (1.9) | 42.9 (9.9, 81.6) | 99.0 (96.6, 99.9) | 60.0 (14.7, 94.7) | 98.1 (95.2, 99.5) |
| Congenital birth defects | 0 (0) | 215 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (98.3, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (98.3, 100.0) |
| Anemias | 24 (11.2) | 99 (46.0) | 35 (16.3) | 57 (26.5) | 29.6 (20.0, 40.8) | 73.9 (65.6, 81.1) | 40.7 (28.1, 54.3) | 63.5 (55.4, 71.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 0 (0) | 200 (93.0) | 7 (3.3) | 8 (3.7) | 0.0 (0.0, 36.9) | 96.6 (93.2, 98.6) | 0.0 (0.0, 41.0) | 96.2 (92.6, 98.3) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 2 (0.9) | 201 (93.5) | 6 (2.8) | 6 (2.8) | 25.0 (3.2, 65.1) | 97.1 (93.8, 98.9) | 25.0 (3.2, 65.1) | 97.1 (93.8, 98.9) |
| South Africa, N=164 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 53 (32.3) | 41 (25.0) | 13 (7.9) | 57 (34.8) | 48.2 (38.6, 57.9) | 75.9 (62.4, 86.5) | 80.3 (68.7, 89.1) | 41.8 (31.9, 52.2) |
| Sepsis | 60 (36.6) | 48 (29.3) | 26 (15.9) | 30 (18.3) | 66.7 (55.9, 76.3) | 64.9 (52.9, 75.6) | 69.8 (58.9, 79.2) | 61.5 (49.8, 72.3) |
| Malnutrition | 6 (3.7) | 131 (79.9) | 25 (15.2) | 2 (1.2) | 75.0 (34.9, 96.8) | 84.0 (77.3, 89.4) | 19.4 (7.5, 37.5) | 98.5 (94.7, 99.8) |
| Malaria | 0 (0) | 164 (100.0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | -- | 100.0 (97.8, 100.0) | -- | 100.0 (97.8, 100.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 14 (8.5) | 121 (73.8) | 27 (16.5) | 2 (1.2) | 87.5 (61.7, 98.4) | 81.8 (74.6, 87.6) | 34.1 (20.1, 50.6) | 98.4 (94.2, 99.8) |
| HIV | 17 (10.4) | 141 (86.0) | 3 (1.8) | 3 (1.8) | 85.0 (62.1, 96.8) | 97.9 (94.0, 99.6) | 85.0 (62.1, 96.8) | 97.9 (94.0, 99.6) |
| Congenital birth defects | 24 (14.6) | 115 (70.1) | 11 (6.7) | 14 (8.5) | 63.2 (46.0, 78.2) | 91.3 (84.9, 95.6) | 68.6 (50.7, 83.1) | 89.1 (82.5, 93.9) |
| Anemias | 0 (0) | 140 (85.4) | 24 (14.6) | 0 (0) | -- | 85.4 (79.0, 90.4) | 0.0 (0.0, 14.2) | 100.0 (97.4, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 7 (4.3) | 135 (82.3) | 13 (7.9) | 9 (5.5) | 43.8 (19.8, 70.1) | 91.2 (85.4, 95.2) | 35.0 (15.4, 59.2) | 93.8 (88.5, 97.1) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 9 (5.5) | 114 (69.5) | 19 (11.6) | 22 (13.4) | 29.0 (14.2, 48.0) | 85.7 (78.6, 91.2) | 32.1 (15.9, 52.4) | 83.8 (76.5, 89.6) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 6. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022 by sex

| Disease | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Females, N=417 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 64 (15.3) | 222 (53.2) | 69 (16.5) | 62 (14.9) | 50.8 (41.7, 59.8) | 76.3 (71.0, 81.1) | 48.1 (39.4, 56.9) | 78.2 (72.9, 82.8) |
| Sepsis | 44 (10.6) | 261 (62.6) | 31 (7.4) | 81 (19.4) | 35.2 (26.9, 44.2) | 89.4 (85.3, 92.7) | 58.7 (46.7, 69.9) | 76.3 (71.4, 80.7) |
| Malnutrition | 37 (8.9) | 292 (70.0) | 50 (12.0) | 38 (9.1) | 49.3 (37.6, 61.1) | 85.4 (81.2, 89.0) | 42.5 (32.0, 53.6) | 88.5 (84.5, 91.7) |
| Malaria | 57 (13.7) | 277 (66.4) | 70 (16.8) | 13 (3.1) | 81.4 (70.3, 89.7) | 79.8 (75.2, 83.9) | 44.9 (36.1, 54.0) | 95.5 (92.5, 97.6) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 41 (9.8) | 273 (65.5) | 99 (23.7) | 4 (1.0) | 91.1 (78.8, 97.5) | 73.4 (68.6, 77.8) | 29.3 (21.9, 37.6) | 98.6 (96.3, 99.6) |
| HIV | 21 (5.0) | 377 (90.4) | 4 (1.0) | 15 (3.6) | 58.3 (40.8, 74.5) | 99.0 (97.3, 99.7) | 84.0 (63.9, 95.5) | 96.2 (93.8, 97.8) |
| Congenital birth defects | 17 (4.1) | 361 (86.6) | 26 (6.2) | 13 (3.1) | 56.7 (37.4, 74.5) | 93.3 (90.3, 95.6) | 39.5 (25.0, 55.6) | 96.5 (94.1, 98.1) |
| Anemias | 15 (3.6) | 299 (71.7) | 69 (16.5) | 34 (8.2) | 30.6 (18.3, 45.4) | 81.2 (76.9, 85.1) | 17.9 (10.4, 27.7) | 89.8 (86.0, 92.8) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 3 (0.7) | 378 (90.6) | 17 (4.1) | 19 (4.6) | 13.6 (2.9, 34.9) | 95.7 (93.2, 97.5) | 15.0 (3.2, 37.9) | 95.2 (92.6, 97.1) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 2 (0.5) | 373 (89.4) | 28 (6.7) | 14 (3.4) | 12.5 (1.6, 38.3) | 93.0 (90.1, 95.3) | 6.7 (0.8, 22.1) | 96.4 (94.0, 98.0) |
| Males, N=464 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 66 (14.2) | 244 (52.6) | 72 (15.5) | 82 (17.7) | 44.6 (36.4, 53.0) | 77.2 (72.2, 81.7) | 47.8 (39.3, 56.5) | 74.8 (69.8, 79.5) |
| Sepsis | 52 (11.2) | 299 (64.4) | 32 (6.9) | 81 (17.5) | 39.1 (30.8, 47.9) | 90.3 (86.6, 93.3) | 61.9 (50.7, 72.3) | 78.7 (74.2, 82.7) |
| Malnutrition | 40 (8.6) | 300 (64.7) | 72 (15.5) | 52 (11.2) | 43.5 (33.2, 54.2) | 80.6 (76.3, 84.5) | 35.7 (26.9, 45.3) | 85.2 (81.1, 88.8) |
| Malaria | 57 (12.3) | 295 (63.6) | 97 (20.9) | 15 (3.2) | 79.2 (68.0, 87.8) | 75.3 (70.7, 79.4) | 37.0 (29.4, 45.2) | 95.2 (92.1, 97.3) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 33 (7.1) | 322 (69.4) | 97 (20.9) | 12 (2.6) | 73.3 (58.1, 85.4) | 76.8 (72.5, 80.8) | 25.4 (18.2, 33.8) | 96.4 (93.8, 98.1) |
| HIV | 24 (5.2) | 428 (92.2) | 4 (0.9) | 8 (1.7) | 75.0 (56.6, 88.5) | 99.1 (97.6, 99.7) | 85.7 (67.3, 96.0) | 98.2 (96.4, 99.2) |
| Congenital birth defects | 18 (3.9) | 411 (88.6) | 20 (4.3) | 15 (3.2) | 54.5 (36.4, 71.9) | 95.4 (92.9, 97.1) | 47.4 (31.0, 64.2) | 96.5 (94.3, 98.0) |
| Anemias | 19 (4.1) | 353 (76.1) | 67 (14.4) | 25 (5.4) | 43.2 (28.3, 59.0) | 84.0 (80.2, 87.4) | 22.1 (13.9, 32.3) | 93.4 (90.4, 95.7) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 10 (2.2) | 419 (90.3) | 17 (3.7) | 18 (3.9) | 35.7 (18.6, 55.9) | 96.1 (93.8, 97.7) | 37.0 (19.4, 57.6) | 95.9 (93.6, 97.5) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 12 (2.6) | 405 (87.3) | 26 (5.6) | 21 (4.5) | 36.4 (20.4, 54.9) | 94.0 (91.3, 96.0) | 31.6 (17.5, 48.7) | 95.1 (92.6, 96.9) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 7. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022 by age

| Disease | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Infants aged 1-11 months, N=465 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 78 (16.8) | 227 (48.8) | 81 (17.4) | 79 (17.0) | 49.7 (41.6, 57.8) | 73.7 (68.4, 78.5) | 49.1 (41.1, 57.1) | 74.2 (68.9, 79.0) |
| Sepsis | 71 (15.3) | 276 (59.4) | 40 (8.6) | 78 (16.8) | 47.7 (39.4, 56.0) | 87.3 (83.2, 90.8) | 64.0 (54.3, 72.9) | 78.0 (73.3, 82.2) |
| Malnutrition | 38 (8.2) | 332 (71.4) | 52 (11.2) | 43 (9.2) | 46.9 (35.7, 58.3) | 86.5 (82.6, 89.7) | 42.2 (31.9, 53.1) | 88.5 (84.9, 91.6) |
| Malaria | 35 (7.5) | 359 (77.2) | 62 (13.3) | 9 (1.9) | 79.5 (64.7, 90.2) | 85.3 (81.5, 88.5) | 36.1 (26.6, 46.5) | 97.6 (95.4, 98.9) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 44 (9.5) | 315 (67.7) | 102 (21.9) | 4 (0.9) | 91.7 (80.0, 97.7) | 75.5 (71.1, 79.6) | 30.1 (22.8, 38.3) | 98.7 (96.8, 99.7) |
| HIV | 18 (3.9) | 429 (92.3) | 6 (1.3) | 12 (2.6) | 60.0 (40.6, 77.3) | 98.6 (97.0, 99.5) | 75.0 (53.3, 90.2) | 97.3 (95.3, 98.6) |
| Congenital birth defects | 26 (5.6) | 383 (82.4) | 37 (8.0) | 19 (4.1) | 57.8 (42.2, 72.3) | 91.2 (88.1, 93.7) | 41.3 (29.0, 54.4) | 95.3 (92.7, 97.1) |
| Anemias | 8 (1.7) | 375 (80.6) | 64 (13.8) | 18 (3.9) | 30.8 (14.3, 51.8) | 85.4 (81.8, 88.6) | 11.1 (4.9, 20.7) | 95.4 (92.9, 97.3) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 5 (1.1) | 424 (91.2) | 20 (4.3) | 16 (3.4) | 23.8 (8.2, 47.2) | 95.5 (93.1, 97.2) | 20.0 (6.8, 40.7) | 96.4 (94.2, 97.9) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 12 (2.6) | 399 (85.8) | 33 (7.1) | 21 (4.5) | 36.4 (20.4, 54.9) | 92.4 (89.4, 94.7) | 26.7 (14.6, 41.9) | 95.0 (92.5, 96.9) |
| Children aged 12-59 months, N=464 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 52 (12.5) | 239 (57.5) | 60 (14.4) | 65 (15.6) | 44.4 (35.3, 53.9) | 79.9 (74.9, 84.3) | 46.4 (37.0, 56.1) | 78.6 (73.6, 83.1) |
| Sepsis | 25 (6.0) | 284 (68.3) | 23 (5.5) | 84 (20.2) | 22.9 (15.4, 32.0) | 92.5 (89.0, 95.2) | 52.1 (37.2, 66.7) | 77.2 (72.5, 81.4) |
| Malnutrition | 39 (9.4) | 260 (62.5) | 70 (16.8) | 47 (11.3) | 45.3 (34.6, 56.5) | 78.8 (74.0, 83.1) | 35.8 (26.8, 45.5) | 84.7 (80.2, 88.5) |
| Malaria | 79 (19.0) | 213 (51.2) | 105 (25.2) | 19 (4.6) | 80.6 (71.4, 87.9) | 67.0 (61.5, 72.1) | 42.9 (35.7, 50.4) | 91.8 (87.5, 95.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 30 (7.2) | 280 (67.3) | 94 (22.6) | 12 (2.9) | 71.4 (55.4, 84.3) | 74.9 (70.1, 79.2) | 24.2 (17.0, 32.7) | 95.9 (92.9, 97.9) |
| HIV | 27 (6.5) | 376 (90.4) | 2 (0.5) | 11 (2.6) | 71.1 (54.1, 84.6) | 99.5 (98.1, 99.9) | 93.1 (77.2, 99.2) | 97.2 (95.0, 98.6) |
| Congenital birth defects | 9 (2.2) | 389 (93.5) | 9 (2.2) | 9 (2.2) | 50.0 (26.0, 74.0) | 97.7 (95.8, 99.0) | 50.0 (26.0, 74.0) | 97.7 (95.8, 99.0) |
| Anemias | 26 (6.2) | 277 (66.6) | 72 (17.3) | 41 (9.9) | 38.8 (27.1, 51.5) | 79.4 (74.7, 83.5) | 26.5 (18.1, 36.4) | 87.1 (82.9, 90.6) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 8 (1.9) | 373 (89.7) | 14 (3.4) | 21 (5.0) | 27.6 (12.7, 47.2) | 96.4 (94.0, 98.0) | 36.4 (17.2, 59.3) | 94.7 (92.0, 96.7) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 2 (0.5) | 379 (91.1) | 21 (5.0) | 14 (3.4) | 12.5 (1.6, 38.3) | 94.8 (92.1, 96.7) | 8.7 (1.1, 28.0) | 96.4 (94.1, 98.0) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 8. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022 by hospital admission duration

| Disease | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <24 hours hospital admission before death, N=500 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 44 (8.8) | 305 (61.0) | 80 (16.0) | 71 (14.2) | 38.3 (29.4, 47.8) | 79.2 (74.8, 83.2) | 35.5 (27.1, 44.6) | 81.1 (76.8, 84.9) |
| Sepsis | 19 (3.8) | 365 (73.0) | 25 (5.0) | 91 (18.2) | 17.3 (10.7, 25.7) | 93.6 (90.7, 95.8) | 43.2 (28.3, 59.0) | 80.0 (76.1, 83.6) |
| Malnutrition | 34 (6.8) | 368 (73.6) | 39 (7.8) | 59 (11.8) | 36.6 (26.8, 47.2) | 90.4 (87.1, 93.1) | 46.6 (34.8, 58.6) | 86.2 (82.5, 89.3) |
| Malaria | 75 (15.0) | 294 (58.8) | 110 (22.0) | 21 (4.2) | 78.1 (68.5, 85.9) | 72.8 (68.2, 77.1) | 40.5 (33.4, 48.0) | 93.3 (90.0, 95.8) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 43 (8.6) | 352 (70.4) | 98 (19.6) | 7 (1.4) | 86.0 (73.3, 94.2) | 78.2 (74.1, 82.0) | 30.5 (23.0, 38.8) | 98.1 (96.0, 99.2) |
| HIV | 10 (2.0) | 475 (95.0) | 2 (0.4) | 13 (2.6) | 43.5 (23.2, 65.5) | 99.6 (98.5, 99.9) | 83.3 (51.6, 97.9) | 97.3 (95.5, 98.6) |
| Congenital birth defects | 10 (2.0) | 457 (91.4) | 22 (4.4) | 11 (2.2) | 47.6 (25.7, 70.2) | 95.4 (93.1, 97.1) | 31.2 (16.1, 50.0) | 97.6 (95.8, 98.8) |
| Anemias | 22 (4.4) | 377 (75.4) | 75 (15.0) | 26 (5.2) | 45.8 (31.4, 60.8) | 83.4 (79.7, 86.7) | 22.7 (14.8, 32.3) | 93.5 (90.7, 95.7) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 2 (0.4) | 464 (92.8) | 10 (2.0) | 24 (4.8) | 7.7 (0.9, 25.1) | 97.9 (96.2, 99.0) | 16.7 (2.1, 48.4) | 95.1 (92.8, 96.8) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 6 (1.2) | 461 (92.2) | 23 (4.6) | 10 (2.0) | 37.5 (15.2, 64.6) | 95.2 (93.0, 97.0) | 20.7 (8.0, 39.7) | 97.9 (96.1, 99.0) |
| >24 hours hospital admission before death, N=381 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 86 (22.6) | 161 (42.3) | 61 (16.0) | 73 (19.2) | 54.1 (46.0, 62.0) | 72.5 (66.1, 78.3) | 58.5 (50.1, 66.6) | 68.8 (62.4, 74.7) |
| Sepsis | 77 (20.2) | 195 (51.2) | 38 (10.0) | 71 (18.6) | 52.0 (43.7, 60.3) | 83.7 (78.3, 88.2) | 67.0 (57.6, 75.4) | 73.3 (67.6, 78.5) |
| Malnutrition | 43 (11.3) | 224 (58.8) | 83 (21.8) | 31 (8.1) | 58.1 (46.1, 69.5) | 73.0 (67.6, 77.9) | 34.1 (25.9, 43.1) | 87.8 (83.2, 91.6) |
| Malaria | 39 (10.2) | 278 (73.0) | 57 (15.0) | 7 (1.8) | 84.8 (71.1, 93.7) | 83.0 (78.5, 86.9) | 40.6 (30.7, 51.1) | 97.5 (95.0, 99.0) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 31 (8.1) | 243 (63.8) | 98 (25.7) | 9 (2.4) | 77.5 (61.5, 89.2) | 71.3 (66.1, 76.0) | 24.0 (16.9, 32.3) | 96.4 (93.3, 98.4) |
| HIV | 35 (9.2) | 330 (86.6) | 6 (1.6) | 10 (2.6) | 77.8 (62.9, 88.8) | 98.2 (96.2, 99.3) | 85.4 (70.8, 94.4) | 97.1 (94.7, 98.6) |
| Congenital birth defects | 25 (6.6) | 315 (82.7) | 24 (6.3) | 17 (4.5) | 59.5 (43.3, 74.4) | 92.9 (89.6, 95.4) | 51.0 (36.3, 65.6) | 94.9 (91.9, 97.0) |
| Anemias | 12 (3.1) | 275 (72.2) | 61 (16.0) | 33 (8.7) | 26.7 (14.6, 41.9) | 81.8 (77.3, 85.8) | 16.4 (8.8, 27.0) | 89.3 (85.3, 92.5) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 11 (2.9) | 333 (87.4) | 24 (6.3) | 13 (3.4) | 45.8 (25.6, 67.2) | 93.3 (90.2, 95.6) | 31.4 (16.9, 49.3) | 96.2 (93.7, 98.0) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 8 (2.1) | 317 (83.2) | 31 (8.1) | 25 (6.6) | 24.2 (11.1, 42.3) | 91.1 (87.6, 93.9) | 20.5 (9.3, 36.5) | 92.7 (89.4, 95.2) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 9. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died from 2016 to 2022 by number of causes of death

| Disease | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| One cause of death, N=115 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 16 (13.9) | 75 (65.2) | 18 (15.7) | 6 (5.2) | 72.7 (49.8, 89.3) | 80.6 (71.1, 88.1) | 47.1 (29.8, 64.9) | 92.6 (84.6, 97.2) |
| Sepsis | 0 (0) | 93 (80.9) | 13 (11.3) | 9 (7.8) | 0.0 (0.0, 33.6) | 87.7 (79.9, 93.3) | 0.0 (0.0, 24.7) | 91.2 (83.9, 95.9) |
| Malnutrition | 3 (2.6) | 100 (87.0) | 12 (10.4) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (29.2, 100.0) | 89.3 (82.0, 94.3) | 20.0 (4.3, 48.1) | 100.0 (96.4, 100.0) |
| Malaria | 38 (33.0) | 56 (48.7) | 16 (13.9) | 5 (4.3) | 88.4 (74.9, 96.1) | 77.8 (66.4, 86.7) | 70.4 (56.4, 82.0) | 91.8 (81.9, 97.3) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 16 (13.9) | 73 (63.5) | 25 (21.7) | 1 (0.9) | 94.1 (71.3, 99.9) | 74.5 (64.7, 82.8) | 39.0 (24.2, 55.5) | 98.6 (92.7, 100.0) |
| HIV | 0 (0) | 114 (99.1) | 0 (0) | 1 (0.9) | 0.0 (0.0, 97.5) | 100.0 (96.8, 100.0) | -- | 99.1 (95.3, 100.0) |
| Congenital birth defects | 1 (0.9) | 112 (97.4) | 1 (0.9) | 1 (0.9) | 50.0 (1.3, 98.7) | 99.1 (95.2, 100.0) | 50.0 (1.3, 98.7) | 99.1 (95.2, 100.0) |
| Anemias | 0 (0) | 95 (82.6) | 20 (17.4) | 0 (0) | -- | 82.6 (74.4, 89.0) | 0.0 (0.0, 16.8) | 100.0 (96.2, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 2 (1.7) | 104 (90.4) | 6 (5.2) | 3 (2.6) | 40.0 (5.3, 85.3) | 94.5 (88.5, 98.0) | 25.0 (3.2, 65.1) | 97.2 (92.0, 99.4) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 0 (0) | 108 (93.9) | 7 (6.1) | 0 (0) | -- | 93.9 (87.9, 97.5) | 0.0 (0.0, 41.0) | 100.0 (96.6, 100.0) |
| More than one cause of death, N=470 | | | | | | | | |
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 114 (24.3) | 172 (36.6) | 46 (9.8) | 138 (29.4) | 45.2 (39.0, 51.6) | 78.9 (72.9, 84.1) | 71.2 (63.6, 78.1) | 55.5 (49.8, 61.1) |
| Sepsis | 96 (20.4) | 187 (39.8) | 34 (7.2) | 153 (32.6) | 38.6 (32.5, 44.9) | 84.6 (79.2, 89.1) | 73.8 (65.4, 81.2) | 55.0 (49.5, 60.4) |
| Malnutrition | 74 (15.7) | 238 (50.6) | 68 (14.5) | 90 (19.1) | 45.1 (37.4, 53.1) | 77.8 (72.7, 82.3) | 52.1 (43.6, 60.6) | 72.6 (67.4, 77.3) |
| Malaria | 76 (16.2) | 321 (68.3) | 50 (10.6) | 23 (4.9) | 76.8 (67.2, 84.7) | 86.5 (82.6, 89.8) | 60.3 (51.2, 68.9) | 93.3 (90.1, 95.7) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 58 (12.3) | 302 (64.3) | 95 (20.2) | 15 (3.2) | 79.5 (68.4, 88.0) | 76.1 (71.6, 80.2) | 37.9 (30.2, 46.1) | 95.3 (92.3, 97.3) |
| HIV | 45 (9.6) | 397 (84.5) | 6 (1.3) | 22 (4.7) | 67.2 (54.6, 78.2) | 98.5 (96.8, 99.5) | 88.2 (76.1, 95.6) | 94.7 (92.2, 96.7) |
| Congenital birth defects | 34 (7.2) | 395 (84.0) | 14 (3.0) | 27 (5.7) | 55.7 (42.4, 68.5) | 96.6 (94.3, 98.1) | 70.8 (55.9, 83.0) | 93.6 (90.8, 95.7) |
| Anemias | 34 (7.2) | 319 (67.9) | 58 (12.3) | 59 (12.6) | 36.6 (26.8, 47.2) | 84.6 (80.6, 88.1) | 37.0 (27.1, 47.7) | 84.4 (80.3, 87.9) |
| Other respiratory disease* | 11 (2.3) | 403 (85.7) | 22 (4.7) | 34 (7.2) | 24.4 (12.9, 39.5) | 94.8 (92.3, 96.7) | 33.3 (18.0, 51.8) | 92.2 (89.3, 94.6) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 14 (3.0) | 394 (83.8) | 27 (5.7) | 35 (7.4) | 28.6 (16.6, 43.3) | 93.6 (90.8, 95.7) | 34.1 (20.1, 50.6) | 91.8 (88.8, 94.3) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage

Supplemental Table 10. Comparison of clinician antemortem diagnosis and postmortem causes of death among infants and children aged 1-59 months who died at home following clinical encounters from 2016 to 2022

| | True Positive, n (%) | True Negative, n (%) | False Positive, n (%) | False Negative, n (%) | Sensitivity % (95% CI) | Specificity % (95% CI) | Positive Predictive Value % (95% CI) | Negative Predictive Value % (95% CI) |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Lower respiratory tract infection | 14 (6.2) | 147 (65.6) | 34 (15.2) | 29 (12.9) | 32.6 (19.1, 48.5) | 81.2 (74.8, 86.6) | 29.2 (17.0, 44.1) | 83.5 (77.2, 88.7) |
| Sepsis | 4 (1.8) | 170 (75.9) | 9 (4.0) | 41 (18.3) | 8.9 (2.5, 21.2) | 95.0 (90.7, 97.7) | 30.8 (9.1, 61.4) | 80.6 (74.6, 85.7) |
| Malnutrition | 14 (6.2) | 163 (72.8) | 17 (7.6) | 30 (13.4) | 31.8 (18.6, 47.6) | 90.6 (85.3, 94.4) | 45.2 (27.3, 64.0) | 84.5 (78.6, 89.3) |
| Malaria | 21 (9.4) | 158 (70.5) | 33 (14.7) | 12 (5.4) | 63.6 (45.1, 79.6) | 82.7 (76.6, 87.8) | 38.9 (25.9, 53.1) | 92.9 (88.0, 96.3) |
| Diarrheal diseases | 11 (4.9) | 169 (75.4) | 42 (18.8) | 2 (0.9) | 84.6 (54.6, 98.1) | 80.1 (74.1, 85.3) | 20.8 (10.8, 34.1) | 98.8 (95.8, 99.9) |
| HIV | 1 (0.4) | 213 (95.1) | 1 (0.4) | 9 (4.0) | 10.0 (0.3, 44.5) | 99.5 (97.4, 100.0) | 50.0 (1.3, 98.7) | 95.9 (92.4, 98.1) |
| Congenital birth defects | 4 (1.8) | 201 (89.7) | 16 (7.1) | 3 (1.3) | 57.1 (18.4, 90.1) | 92.6 (88.3, 95.7) | 20.0 (5.7, 43.7) | 98.5 (95.8, 99.7) |
| Anemias | 2 (0.9) | 199 (88.8) | 23 (10.3) | 0 (0) | 100.0 (15.8, 100.0) | 89.6 (84.9, 93.3) | 8.0 (1.0, 26.0) | 100.0 (98.2, 100.0) |
| Other respiratory diseases* | 3 (1.3) | 212 (94.6) | 3 (1.3) | 6 (2.7) | 33.3 (7.5, 70.1) | 98.6 (96.0, 99.7) | 50.0 (11.8, 88.2) | 97.2 (94.1, 99.0) |
| Meningitis/encephalitis | 1 (0.4) | 211 (94.2) | 7 (3.1) | 5 (2.2) | 16.7 (0.4, 64.1) | 96.8 (93.5, 98.7) | 12.5 (0.3, 52.7) | 97.7 (94.7, 99.2) |

*Includes aspiration pneumonia, interstitial lung disease, and pulmonary hemorrhage