## **Online Supplementary Document**

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## SYMPTOM SEVERITY SCORING SYSTEM

|               | Possibly Severe Illness Sign                | Severe Illness Sign                                  |
|---------------|---|--|
| MONTHS OF AGE | Fever and Skin rash or Fever alone          | Fever and Stiff neck                                 |
|               | Loose stools/ diarrhea for 3 days or more   | Loose stools/ diarrhea for 3 days or more            |
|               | Visible blood in the loose or liquid stools | Very severe cough                                    |
|               | Cough                                       | Vomit after cough                                    |
|               | Difficult breathing                         | Indrawing of the chest                               |
|               | Fast breathing                              | Stridor  |
|               | Skin rash                                   | Grunting   |
|               | Blisters containing clear fluid             | Wheezing   |
|               | Limbs (legs, arms) become very thin         | Convulsions  |
|               | Swelling in the armpits                     | Unconscious  |
|               |   | Stiff neck   |
|               |   | Bulging fontanelle                                   |
| Z             |   | Swollen legs or feet                                 |
| \             |   | skin flake off in patches                            |
| 1 65          |   | Hair change in color to a reddish or yellowish color |
| 1-5           |   | Protruding belly                                     |
|               |   | Lack of blood or pallor                              |
| CHILDREN      |   | Whitish rash inside the mouth or on the tongue       |
|               |   | Bleeding from anywhere                               |
|               |   | Areas of the skin that turned black                  |
|               |   | Road traffic crash/injury                            |
|               |   | Fall   |
|               |   | Drowning   |
|               |   | Poisoning  |
|               |   | Bite or sting by a venomous animal                   |
|               |   | Burn   |
|               |   | From violence (homicide, abuse)                      |
|               |   | Any other injury                                     |