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Supplementary Table S1 CHAMPS Cause of Death Categories

Anemias

D64 Other anaemias

D64.9 Anaemia, unspecified

Birth trauma

P15.8 Other specified birth injuries

P15.9 Birth injury, unspecified

Cancer

C22.2 Malignant neoplasm: Hepatoblastoma

C49.9 Malignant neoplasm: Connective and soft tissue, unspecified

C74.9 Malignant neoplasm: Adrenal gland, unspecified

Cesarean delivery

P03.4 Fetus and newborn affected by caesarean delivery

Chorioamnionitis and membrane complications

P02.7 Fetus and newborn affected by chorioamnionitis

Congenital birth defects

G71.2 Congenital myopathies

G80.9 Cerebral palsy, unspecified

Q00.0 Anencephaly

Q02 Microcephaly

Q03 Congenital hydrocephalus

Q03.1 Atresia of foramina of Magendie and Luschka

Q03.9 Congenital hydrocephalus, unspecified

Q04.2 Holoprosencephaly

Q04.6 Congenital cerebral cysts

Q05 Spina bifida

Q05.9 Spina bifida, unspecified

Q11.1 Other anophthalmos

Q21.0 Ventricular septal defect

Q21.1 Atrial septal defect

- Q21.3 Tetralogy of Fallot
- Q23.4 Hypoplastic left heart syndrome
- Q24.8 Other specified congenital malformations of heart
- Q24.9 Congenital malformation of heart, unspecified
- Q25.1 Coarctation of aorta
- Q31.0 Web of larynx
- Q31.1 Congenital subglottic stenosis
- Q35 Cleft palate
- Q35.9 Cleft palate, unspecified
- Q37.8 Unspecified cleft palate with bilateral cleft lip
- Q39.1 Atresia of oesophagus with tracheo-oesophageal fistula
- Q41.1 Congenital absence, atresia and stenosis of jejunum
- Q42.0 Congenital absence, atresia and stenosis of rectum with fistula
- Q43.3 Congenital malformations of intestinal fixation
- Q44.2 Atresia of bile ducts
- Q44.7 Other congenital malformations of liver
- Q61.3 Polycystic kidney, unspecified
- Q62.0 Congenital hydronephrosis
- Q64.2 Congenital posterior urethral valves
- Q64.9 Congenital malformation of urinary system, unspecified
- Q75.3 Macrocephaly
- Q77.1 Thanatophoric short stature
- Q78.9 Osteochondrodysplasia, unspecified
- Q79.0 Congenital diaphragmatic hernia
- Q79.2 Exomphalos
- Q79.3 Gastroschisis
- Q81.9 Epidermolysis bullosa, unspecified
- Q87 Other specified congenital malformation syndromes affecting multiple systems
- Q87.2 Congenital malformation syndromes predominantly involving limbs
- Q87.8 Other specified congenital malformation syndromes, not elsewhere classified
- Q89 Other congenital malformations, not elsewhere classified
- Q89.7 Multiple congenital malformations, not elsewhere classified
- Q89.9 Congenital malformation, unspecified

- Q90.9 Down syndrome, unspecified
- Q91.3 Edwards syndrome, unspecified
- Q91.7 Patau syndrome, unspecified
- Q93.2 Chromosome replaced with ring or dicentric
- Q98.0 Klinefelter syndrome karyotype 47, XXY
- Q99.9 Chromosomal abnormality, unspecified

Congenital infection

- P23.2 Congenital pneumonia due to staphylococcus
- P23.3 Congenital pneumonia due to streptococcus, group B
- P23.4 Congenital pneumonia due to Escherichia coli
- P23.6 Congenital pneumonia due to other bacterial agents
- P23.8 Congenital pneumonia due to other organisms
- P23.9 Congenital pneumonia, unspecified
- P35.1 Congenital cytomegalovirus infection
- P37.2 Neonatal (disseminated) listeriosis
- P37.5 Neonatal candidiasis
- P38 Omphalitis of newborn with or without mild haemorrhage
- P39.9 Infection specific to the perinatal period, unspecified

Diarrheal Diseases

- A03 Shigellosis
- A04.4 Other intestinal Escherichia coli infections
- A04.5 Campylobacter enteritis
- A04.8 Other specified bacterial intestinal infections
- A07.1 Giardiasis [lambliasis]
- A08.0 Rotaviral enteritis
- A08.1 Acute gastroenteropathy due to Norwalk agent
- A08.2 Adenoviral enteritis
- A08.3 Other viral enteritis
- A08.5 Other specified intestinal infections
- A09 Other gastroenteritis and colitis of infectious and unspecified origin
- A09.0 Other and unspecified gastroenteritis and colitis of infectious origin
- A09.9 Gastroenteritis and colitis of unspecified origin
- K52.9 Noninfective gastroenteritis and colitis, unspecified

R11 Nausea and vomiting

Epilepsy

G41.9 Status epilepticus, unspecified

Heart Diseases

- 133.0 Acute and subacute infective endocarditis
- 142.0 Dilated cardiomyopathy
- 142.9 Cardiomyopathy, unspecified
- 150 Heart failure
- 151.9 Heart disease, unspecified

HIV

- B20 Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease resulting in infectious and parasitic diseases
- B20.1 HIV disease resulting in other bacterial infections
- B20.3 HIV disease resulting in other viral infections
- B20.7 HIV disease resulting in multiple infections
- B20.8 HIV disease resulting in other infectious and parasitic diseases
- B22 Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease resulting in other specified diseases
- B22.2 HIV disease resulting in wasting syndrome
- B22.7 HIV disease resulting in multiple diseases classified elsewhere
- B23 Human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease resulting in other conditions
- B23.8 HIV disease resulting in other specified conditions

Injury

- S06.5 Traumatic subdural haemorrhage
- S07 Crushing injury of head
- T20 Burn and corrosion of head and neck
- T31.0 Burns involving less than 10% of body surface
- T31.1 Burns involving 10-19% of body surface
- T31.2 Burns involving 20-29% of body surface
- T31.3 Burns involving 30-39% of body surface
- T31.5 Burns involving 50-59% of body surface
- T71 Asphyxiation
- T74.1 Physical abuse
- V03.9 Unspecified whether traffic or nontraffic accident

Kidney Disease

N17.9 Acute renal failure, unspecified

Liver disease

- B18.2 Chronic viral hepatitis C
- E88.8 Other specified metabolic disorders
- K72.0 Acute and subacute hepatic failure
- K72.1 Chronic hepatic failure
- K72.9 Hepatic failure, unspecified
- K74.5 Biliary cirrhosis, unspecified
- K75.9 Inflammatory liver disease, unspecified
- K76.5 Hepatic veno-occlusive disease
- K83.1 Obstruction of bile duct

Lower respiratory infections

- A37 Whooping cough
- B20.6 HIV disease resulting in Pneumocystis jirovecii pneumonia
- B22.1 HIV disease resulting in lymphoid interstitial pneumonitis
- B25.0 Cytomegaloviral pneumonitis
- J10.0 Influenza with pneumonia, seasonal influenza virus identified
- J12.0 Adenoviral pneumonia
- J12.1 Respiratory syncytial virus pneumonia
- J12.2 Parainfluenza virus pneumonia
- J12.8 Other viral pneumonia
- J13 Pneumonia due to Streptococcus pneumoniae
- J14 Pneumonia due to Haemophilus influenzae
- J15.0 Pneumonia due to Klebsiella pneumoniae
- J15.1 Pneumonia due to Pseudomonas
- J15.2 Pneumonia due to staphylococcus
- J15.4 Pneumonia due to other streptococci
- J15.5 Pneumonia due to Escherichia coli
- J15.6 Pneumonia due to other Gram-negative bacteria
- J15.8 Other bacterial pneumonia
- J15.9 Bacterial pneumonia, unspecified
- J16.8 Pneumonia due to other specified infectious organisms
- J17.1 Pneumonia in viral diseases classified elsewhere

- J17.3 Pneumonia in parasitic diseases
- J18 Pneumonia, organism unspecified
- J18.0 Bronchopneumonia, unspecified
- J18.9 Pneumonia, unspecified
- J21.9 Acute bronchiolitis, unspecified
- J69.0 Pneumonitis due to food and vomit
- J85.1 Abscess of lung with pneumonia
- J86.9 Pyothorax without fistula
- W78 Inhalation of gastric contents

Malaria

- B50 Plasmodium falciparum malaria
- B50.0 Plasmodium falciparum malaria with cerebral complications
- B50.8 Other severe and complicated Plasmodium falciparum malaria

Malnutrition

- E40 Kwashiorkor
- E41 Nutritional marasmus
- E42 Marasmic kwashiorkor
- E43 Unspecified severe protein-energy malnutrition
- E44.0 Moderate protein-energy malnutrition
- E46 Unspecified protein-energy malnutrition

Malpresentation before labor

P01.7 Fetus and newborn affected by malpresentation before labour

Maternal HIV

- B24 Unspecified human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] disease
- Z20.6 Contact with and exposure to human immunodeficiency virus [HIV]

Maternal hypertension

O14.2 HELLP syndrome

Maternal infection

P00.2 Fetus and newborn affected by maternal infectious and parasitic diseases

Measles

- B05.2 Measles complicated by pneumonia
- B05.8 Measles with other complications

Meningitis/Encephalitis

- A85.1 Adenoviral encephalitis
- A87.8 Other viral meningitis
- **B37.5** Candidal meningitis
- G00.1 Pneumococcal meningitis
- G00.2 Streptococcal meningitis
- G00.3 Staphylococcal meningitis
- G00.8 Other bacterial meningitis
- G01 Meningitis in bacterial diseases classified elsewhere
- G03.9 Meningitis, unspecified
- G04.8 Other encephalitis, myelitis and encephalomyelitis

Motor neuron disease

G12.9 Spinal muscular atrophy, unspecified

Neonatal aspiration syndromes

- P24.0 Neonatal aspiration of meconium
- P24.9 Neonatal aspiration syndrome, unspecified

Neonatal encephalopathy

- P91 Other disturbances of cerebral status of newborn
- P91.0 Neonatal cerebral ischaemia
- P91.2 Neonatal cerebral leukomalacia
- P91.8 Other specified disturbances of cerebral status of newborn

Neonatal preterm birth complications

- P07.0 Extremely low birth weight
- P07.1 Other low birth weight
- P07.18 Neonatal preterm birth complications
- P07.3 Other preterm infants
- P22.0 Respiratory distress syndrome of newborn
- P22.9 Respiratory distress of newborn, unspecified
- P25.1 Pneumothorax originating in the perinatal period
- P25.2 Pneumomediastinum originating in the perinatal period
- P26 Pulmonary haemorrhage originating in the perinatal period
- P26.8 Other pulmonary haemorrhages originating in the perinatal period
- P26.9 Unspecified pulmonary haemorrhage originating in the perinatal period
- P27.1 Bronchopulmonary dysplasia originating in the perinatal period

- P28.0 Primary atelectasis of newborn
- P77 Necrotizing enterocolitis of fetus and newborn

Neonatal sepsis

- P36.0 Sepsis of newborn due to streptococcus, group B
- P36.1 Sepsis of newborn due to other and unspecified streptococci
- P36.2 Sepsis of newborn due to Staphylococcus aureus
- P36.3 Sepsis of newborn due to other and unspecified staphylococci
- P36.4 Sepsis of newborn due to Escherichia coli
- P36.5 Sepsis of newborn due to anaerobes
- P36.8 Other bacterial sepsis of newborn
- P36.9 Bacterial sepsis of newborn, unspecified

Obstructed labor and fetal malpresentation

P03.1 Fetus and newborn affected by other malpresentation, malposition and disproportion during labour and delivery

Other

- F89 Unspecified disorder of psychological development
- K92.0 Haematemesis
- K92.9 Disease of digestive system, unspecified
- R19.8 Other specified symptoms and signs involving the digestive system and abdomen
- R62.8 Other lack of expected normal physiological development
- T80.2 Infections following infusion, transfusion and therapeutic injection
- T81 Complications of procedures, not elsewhere classified
- T81.4 Infection following a procedure, not elsewhere classified
- T85.7 Infection and inflammatory reaction due to other internal prosthetic devices, implants and grafts
- T88.3 Malignant hyperthermia due to anaesthesia
- T88.9 Complication of surgical and medical care, unspecified
- Y63.8 Failure in dosage during other surgical and medical care
- Y84.0 Cardiac catheterization

Other disorders of fluid, electrolyte and acid-base balance

- E87.0 Hyperosmolality and hypernatraemia
- R57.1 Hypovolaemic shock

Other endocrine, metabolic, blood, and immune disorders

- D65 Disseminated intravascular coagulation [defibrination syndrome]
- D66 Hereditary factor VIII deficiency

- D69.9 Haemorrhagic condition, unspecified
- E16.2 Hypoglycaemia, unspecified
- E22.2 Syndrome of inappropriate secretion of antidiuretic hormone

Other gastrointestinal disease

K55.0 Acute vascular disorders of intestine

Other immunodeficiencies

- D82.1 Di George syndrome
- D84.9 Immunodeficiency, unspecified

Other infections

- A39.2 Acute meningococcaemia
- B00.7 Disseminated herpesviral disease
- B25.8 Other cytomegaloviral diseases
- B25.9 Cytomegaloviral disease, unspecified
- B33.8 Other specified viral diseases
- B34.0 Adenovirus infection, unspecified site
- B37.1 Pulmonary candidiasis
- B37.8 Candidiasis of other sites
- B44.7 Disseminated aspergillosis
- **B59** Pneumocystosis
- G06.0 Intracranial abscess and granuloma
- H66.3 Other chronic suppurative otitis media
- H66.4 Suppurative otitis media, unspecified
- 151.4 Myocarditis, unspecified
- K65.0 Acute peritonitis
- L03 Cellulitis
- M00 Pyogenic arthritis
- M86.9 Osteomyelitis, unspecified

Other injury

- T07 Unspecified multiple injuries
- T17.9 Foreign body in respiratory tract, part unspecified

Other labor and delivery complications

O69.9 Labour and delivery complicated by cord complication, unspecified

Other neonatal disorders

- P05.0 Light for gestational age
- P05.9 Slow fetal growth, unspecified
- P08.0 Exceptionally large baby
- P08.1 Other heavy for gestational age infants
- P29.0 Neonatal cardiac failure
- P29.2 Neonatal hypertension
- P29.3 Persistent fetal circulation
- P51.0 Massive umbilical haemorrhage of newborn
- P52.0 Intraventricular (nontraumatic) haemorrhage, grade 1, of fetus and newborn
- P52.1 Intraventricular (nontraumatic) haemorrhage, grade 2, of fetus and newborn
- P52.2 Intraventricular (nontraumatic) haemorrhage, grade 3, and grade 4 of fetus and newborn
- P52.3 Unspecified intraventricular (nontraumatic) haemorrhage of fetus and newborn
- P52.4 Intracerebral (nontraumatic) haemorrhage of fetus and newborn
- P52.8 Other intracranial (nontraumatic) haemorrhages of fetus and newborn
- P52.9 Intracranial (nontraumatic) haemorrhage of fetus and newborn, unspecified
- P55.1 ABO isoimmunization of fetus and newborn
- P55.9 Haemolytic disease of fetus and newborn, unspecified
- P57.0 Kernicterus due to isoimmunization
- P57.9 Kernicterus, unspecified
- P59.9 Neonatal jaundice, unspecified
- P60 Disseminated intravascular coagulation of fetus and newborn
- P61.0 Transient neonatal thrombocytopenia
- P70.4 Other neonatal hypoglycaemia
- P78.0 Perinatal intestinal perforation
- P80.9 Hypothermia of newborn, unspecified
- P83.2 Hydrops fetalis not due to haemolytic disease
- P90 Convulsions of newborn

Other neurological disorders

- G40.9 Epilepsy, unspecified
- G91.0 Communicating hydrocephalus
- G91.8 Other hydrocephalus
- G91.9 Hydrocephalus, unspecified
- G93.5 Compression of brain

- G96.9 Disorder of central nervous system, unspecified
- R56.8 Other and unspecified convulsions
- S06.2 Diffuse brain injury

Other respiratory disease

- 127.2 Other secondary pulmonary hypertension
- J35.3 Hypertrophy of tonsils with hypertrophy of adenoids
- J44.8 Other specified chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- J46 Status asthmaticus
- J47 Bronchiectasis
- J69.8 Pneumonitis due to other solids and liquids
- J84.9 Interstitial pulmonary disease, unspecified
- J93 Pneumothorax
- J93.9 Pneumothorax, unspecified
- J98.4 Other disorders of lung
- R04.8 Haemorrhage from other sites in respiratory passages
- R06.8 Other and unspecified abnormalities of breathing
- Z87.0 Personal history of diseases of the respiratory system

Other skin and subcutaneous diseases

- L02.0 Cutaneous abscess, furuncle and carbuncle of face
- L26 Exfoliative dermatitis
- L51.2 Toxic epidermal necrolysis [Lyell]
- L98.4 Chronic ulcer of skin, not elsewhere classified

Paralytic ileus and intestinal obstruction

- K56.1 Intussusception
- K56.2 Volvulus
- K56.6 Other and unspecified intestinal obstruction
- K56.7 Ileus, unspecified

Perinatal asphyxia/hypoxia

- P20 Intrauterine hypoxia
- P20.0 Intrauterine hypoxia first noted before onset of labour
- P20.1 Intrauterine hypoxia first noted during labour and delivery
- P20.9 Intrauterine hypoxia, unspecified
- P21.0 Severe birth asphyxia

- P21.1 Mild and moderate birth asphyxia
- P21.9 Birth asphyxia, unspecified

Placental complications

- P02.2 Fetus and newborn affected by other and unspecified morphological and functional abnormalities of placenta
- P02.3 Fetus and newborn affected by placental transfusion syndromes

Poisoning

- T41.2 Poisoning: Other and unspecified general anaesthetics
- T45.1 Poisoning: Antineoplastic and immunosuppressive drugs
- T47.4 Poisoning: Other laxatives
- T55 Toxic effect of soaps and detergents
- T60.0 Toxic effect: Organophosphate and carbamate insecticides

Premature Rupture of membranes

P01.1 Fetus and newborn affected by premature rupture of membranes

Road injuries

V09.3 Pedestrian injured in unspecified traffic accident

Sepsis

- A02.1 Salmonella sepsis
- A40 Streptococcal sepsis
- A40.0 Sepsis due to streptococcus, group A
- A40.3 Sepsis due to Streptococcus pneumoniae
- A41.0 Sepsis due to Staphylococcus aureus
- A41.3 Sepsis due to Haemophilus influenzae
- A41.4 Sepsis due to anaerobes
- A41.5 Sepsis due to other Gram-negative organisms
- A41.8 Other specified sepsis
- A41.9 Sepsis, unspecified
- A48.3 Toxic shock syndrome
- B37.7 Candidal sepsis
- G93.4 Encephalopathy, unspecified

Sickle cell disorders

- D57.0 Sickle-cell anaemia with crisis
- D57.1 Sickle-cell anaemia without crisis

Spontaneous abortion

O03 Spontaneous abortion

Sudden infant death syndrome

R95 Sudden infant death syndrome

Syphilis

A50 Congenital syphilis

A50.9 Congenital syphilis, unspecified

Tuberculosis

A17.0 Tuberculous meningitis

A18.8 Tuberculosis of other specified organs

A19.1 Acute miliary tuberculosis of multiple sites

A19.9 Miliary tuberculosis, unspecified

Umbilical cord complications

P02.4 Fetus and newborn affected by prolapsed cord

P02.5 Fetus and newborn affected by other compression of umbilical cord

Undetermined

P95 Fetal death of unspecified cause

R96 Other sudden death, cause unknown

R99 Other ill-defined and unspecified causes of mortality

Upper respiratory infections

J05.0 Acute obstructive laryngitis [croup]

J06.9 Acute upper respiratory infection, unspecified

Supplemental Table S2 Selected characteristics of CHAMPS-eligible, MITS-consented and non-MITS consented populations, by case type, CHAMPS Network (sites in Manhiça, Mozambique; Soweto, South Africa; Kisumu, Kenya; Bamako, Mali; and Baliakandi, Bangladesh), December 2016—December 2018

	MITS case (N=933)	Non-MITS case (N=1179)	Not enrolled (N=273)	Total (N=2385)
CHAMPS Site				
South Africa	464 (50%)	106 (9%)	188 (69%)	758 (32%)
Mozambique	146 (16%)	285 (24%)	4 (1%)	435 (18%)
Kenya	182 (20%)	126 (11%)	14 (5%)	322 (14%)
Mali	95 (10%)	347 (29%)	1 (0%)	443 (19%)
Bangladesh	46 (5%)	315 (27%)	66 (24%)	427 (18%)
Age group				
Stillbirth	180 (19%)	411 (35%)	65 (24%)	656 (28%)
Death in the first 24 hours	162 (17%)	150 (13%)	42 (15%)	354 (15%)
Early Neonate (1 to 6 days)	185 (20%)	148 (13%)	76 (28%)	409 (17%)
Late Neonate (7 to 27 days)	102 (11%)	87 (7%)	28 (10%)	217 (9%)
Infant (28 days to less than 12 months)	174 (19%)	204 (17%)	39 (14%)	417 (17%)
Child (12 months to less than 60 Months)	130 (14%)	179 (15%)	23 (8%)	332 (14%)
Missing	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Religion of primary caretaker				
N-Miss	0	11	0	11
Muslim	135 (14%)	623 (53%)	65 (24%)	823 (35%)
Christian	557 (60%)	394 (34%)	133 (49%)	1084 (46%)
African traditional religion	45 (5%)	52 (4%)	0 (0%)	97 (4%)
Other or no religion	196 (21%)	99 (8%)	75 (27%)	370 (16%)
Sex of deceased				
Female	407 (44%)	507 (43%)	109 (40%)	1023 (43%)
Indeterminate	2 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (0%)
Male	524 (56%)	660 (56%)	164 (60%)	1348 (57%)
Unknown	0 (0%)	12 (1%)	0 (0%)	12 (1%)
Hours from death to notification				
<=24 hr	813 (87%)	565 (48%)	227 (83%)	1605 (67%)
>24 hr	120 (13%)	614 (52%)	46 (17%)	780 (33%)
Missing	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
Hours from death to MITS procedure				
<=24 hours	616 (66%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	616 (26%)
>24 hours	316 (34%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	316 (13%)
Missing or Not Applicable	1 (0%)	1179 (100%)	273 (100%)	1453 (61%)
Location and timing of death				
Facility, <=24 hours after admission	268 (29%)	106 (9%)	0 (0%)	374 (16%)
Facility, >24 hours after admission	572 (61%)	646 (55%)	251 (92%)	1469 (62%)
Community	93 (10%)	427 (36%)	22 (8%)	542 (23%)

Supplemental Table S3. Number of listed causes of death, by selected case characteristics, CHAMPS Network (sites in Manhiça, Mozambique; Soweto, South Africa; Kisumu, Kenya; Bamako, Mali; and Baliakandi, Bangladesh), December 2016–December 2018

	0 (N=21)	1 (N=327)	2 (N=219)	3 (N=174)	4 (N=111)	5 (N=57)	6 (N=14)	7 (N=10)	Total (N=933)
Age group									
1–59 months	6 (2%)	68 (22%)	82 (27%)	69 (23%)	44 (14%)	23 (8%)	7 (2%)	5 (2%)	304 (100%)
Neonate	7 (2%)	112 (25%)	116 (26%)	102 (23%)	66 (15%)	34 (8%)	7 (2%)	5 (1%)	449 (100%)
Stillbirth	8 (4%)	147 (82%)	21 (12%)	3 (2%)	1 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	180 (100%)
CHAMPS Site									
Bangladesh	1 (2%)	19 (41%)	12 (26%)	10 (22%)	4 (9%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	46 (100%)
Kenya	7 (4%)	96 (53%)	41 (23%)	23 (13%)	13 (7%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	182 (100%)
Mali	6 (6%)	46 (48%)	18 (19%)	15 (16%)	6 (6%)	2 (2%)	0 (0%)	2 (2%)	95 (100%)
Mozambique	5 (3%)	89 (61%)	32 (22%)	12 (8%)	8 (5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	146 (100%)
South Africa	2 (0%)	77 (17%)	116 (25%)	114 (25%)	80 (17%)	53 (11%)	14 (3%)	8 (2%)	464 (100%)
Location and timing of death									
Community	5 (5%)	43 (46%)	26 (28%)	15 (16%)	3 (3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	93 (100%)
Facility, ≤24 hours after admission	8 (3%)	104 (39%)	85 (32%)	41 (15%)	23 (9%)	6 (2%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	268 (100%)
Facility, >24 hours after admission	8 (1%)	180 (31%)	108 (19%)	118 (21%)	85 (15%)	51 (9%)	13 (2%)	9 (2%)	572 (100%)

Supplementary Table S4: ICD-PM maternal condition group Main maternal conditions included in group*

M1: Complications of placenta, cord and membranes

- 1. placenta praevia
- 2. other forms of placental separation and haemorrhage
- 3. placental dysfunction, infarction, insufficiency
- 4. fetal-placental transfusion syndromes
- 5. prolapsed cord, other compression of umbilical cord
- 6. chorioamnionitis
- 7. other complications of membranes

M2: Maternal complications of pregnancy

- 1. incompetent cervix
- 2. preterm rupture of membranes
- 3. oligohydramnios/polyhydramnios
- 4. ectopic pregnancy
- 5. multiple pregnancy
- 6. maternal death
- 7. malpresentation before labour
- 8. other complications of pregnancy

M3: Other complications of labour and delivery

- 1. breech delivery and extraction
- 2. other malpresentation, malposition and disproportion during labour and delivery
- 3. forceps delivery/vacuum extraction
- 4. caesarean delivery
- 5. precipitate delivery
- 6. preterm labour and delivery
- 7. other complications of labour and delivery, including termination of pregnancy

M4: Maternal medical and surgical conditions

- 1. pre-eclampsia, eclampsia
- 2. gestational hypertension
- 3. other hypertensive disorders
- 4. renal and urinary tract diseases
- 5. infectious and parasitic disease
- 6. circulatory and respiratory disease
- 7. nutritional disorders
- 8. injury
- 9. surgical procedure
- 10. other medical procedures
- 11. maternal diabetes, including gestational diabetes
- 12. maternal anaesthesia and analgesia
- 13. maternal medication
- 14. tobacco/alcohol/drugs of addiction
- 15. nutritional chemical substances
- 16. environmental chemical substances
- 17. unspecified maternal condition

M5: No maternal condition

1. no maternal condition identified (healthy mother)

Supplementary Figure S1: Illustrative cases

Case 1: Stillbirth

A 35-week estimated gestational age (EGA) stillborn female with a birth weight of 2.4 kg from a twin pregnancy. The mother was a 20-year-old woman who had been diagnosed with HIV prior to pregnancy and had attended 4 antenatal care visits but did not have a recorded syphilis test. Post-mortem HIV, malaria and TB testing on the deceased were negative. TAC of blood and CSF was strongly positive for *Treponema pallidum*. Immunohistochemistry demonstrated the spirochetes in liver, CNS and placenta. Study staff on site reported back the results to the mother of the stillbirth and was able to confirm the positive syphilis test and treat her and the remaining family according to national guidelines.

Case 2: Neonate

A female neonate with a low birth weight of 1.1 kg was admitted to the newborn nursery immediately after vaginal delivery for prematurity and respiratory distress syndrome. On admission, physical examination was normal with no congenital abnormalities detected. Treatment included oxygen via nasal catheter, dextrose, Vitamin K, crystalline penicillin and gentamicin. The day prior to death the neonate developed jaundice and fever. On postnatal day eight, the fever continued with diffuse coarse crepitations bilaterally, and the patient expired. Blood and CSF collected postmortem were positive by culture and TAC for *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. Lung, liver and CNS tissue were also positive for *K. pneumoniae* by immunohistochemistry. The DeCoDe panel assigned *Klebsiella* sepsis as the immediate cause of death and low birth weight as the underlying cause (prematurity was routinely coded as low birth weight). A verbal autopsy was not available on this neonate.

Case 3: 1-59 months old

A 17-month-old presented to a local hospital with a 4-day history of vomiting and subjective fever. On admission the child was noted to be anemic and in respiratory distress and shock. Despite aggressive fluid and oxygen treatment, the child desaturated and could not be resuscitated. *Streptococcus pneumoniae* was positive by culture and TAC in blood and CSF and in CNS tissue by immunohistochemistry. Lung TAC was also positive for *S pneumoniae*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and *Haemophilus influenzae* (non-B); immunohistochemistry was only positive for *S. pneumoniae*. Sickled erythrocytes were noted histologically in the liver, previous diagnosis of sickle cell disease was not known. The immediate cause of death determined for this case was pneumococcal sepsis with sickle cell disease as the underlying cause.

Figure S2.

Stillbirth due to syphilis. Panel shows abundant spirochetes within the liver tissue highlighted by T. pallidum immunohistochemistry (immunohistochemical assay with Treponema pallidum polyclonal antibody)

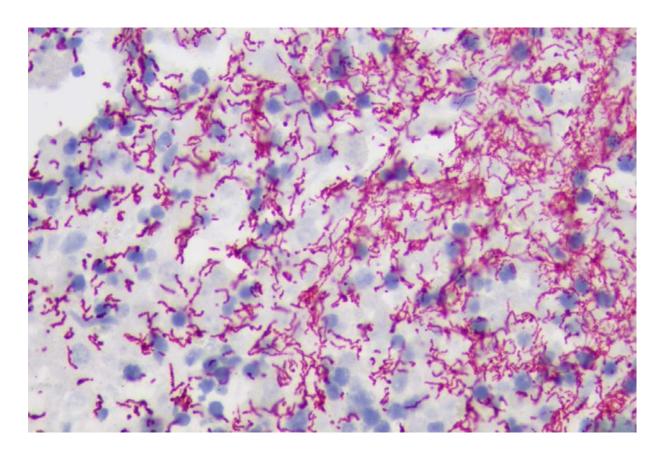


Figure S3- Neutrophilic meningitis caused by *Klebsiella pneumoniae*: Panel shows high magnification of abundant bacterial antigens in the meninges by immunohistochemistry (immunohistochemical assay with *Klebsiella pneumoniae* polyclonal antibody).

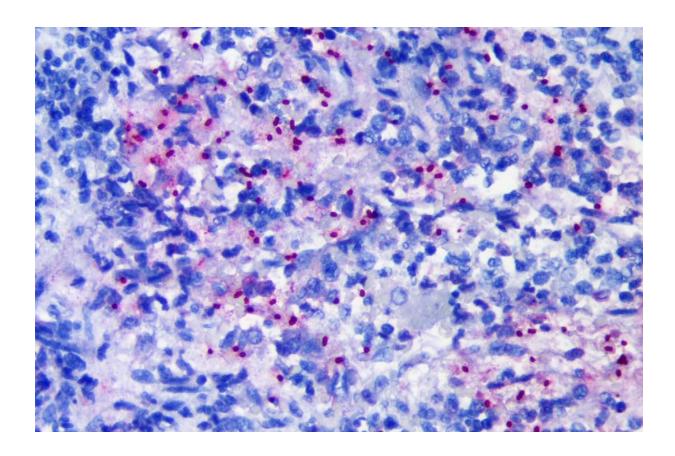


Figure S4 (annotated)- Pneumococcal sepsis with sickle cell disease: Panel shows microscopic examination of the liver shows sickle cell aggregates in sinusoidal spaces; hematoxylin-eosin stain.

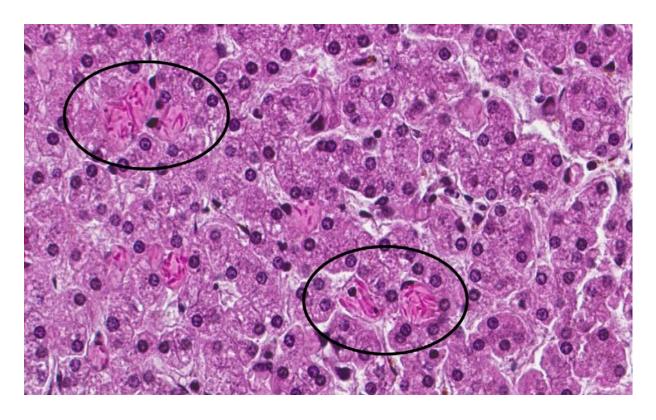


Figure S4. Case 3 (not annotated)

