

Module 9A : Assess and Classify

Session 8 : Assessment for classification

Day : 5

Time Required : 30 minutes

Objective

At the end of the session the ASHAs will be able to:

1. Classify a sick child by using the case management chart

Materials and Preparation

See Checklist of Instructional Material at beginning of sick child module. These materials will be used for all sessions for sick child module.

Training Activities :

Activity - 1 : Review Classifying Signs of Illness

Tell the participants they will now practice classifying signs of illness. You will describe a child's signs and symptoms. Then call on a participant to select the appropriate classification. If you think a participant needs additional practice, ask him to describe how she classified the child's signs according to the classification table. This would ensure that the participant is not getting a correct answer by mere guess work

Illustrate by giving an example. How would you classify a 10 MONTH old child who is lethargic, has visible severe wasting and some palmar pallor? Go to the chart, mark out the circles in the "Signs" section. This child has severe disease, severe malnutrition and anaemia.

Tell all participants to write their answers on the paper provided.

Sr. No	Question		Answer
	How would you classify a 9-month old child who has:		
1	Cough and	not able to drink, has chest in-drawing.	Severe Disease or Severe Pneumonia
2	Cough and	breathing rate of 51 breaths per minute and no signs of very serious disease.	Pneumonia
3	Cough and	breathing rate of 40 breaths per minute and no signs of very serious disease.	Cough or Cold
4	Diarrhoea for 3 days and	blood in stool; child is drinking eagerly; skin pinch is slow.	Dehydration and Dysentery
5	Diarrhoea for 3 days and	blood in stool; no signs of Dehydration .	Dysentery No Dehydration
6	Diarrhoea for 16 days and	no blood in stool; child is drinking eagerly; skin pinch goes back slowly.	Dehydration and Persistent Diarrhoea

Sr. No	Question		Answer
	How would you classify a 9-month old child who has:		
7	Diarrhoea for 2 days and	no blood in stool; not lethargic or unconscious; is able to drink normally; skin pinch goes back immediately.	No Dehydration
8	No cough and No diarrhoea and	visible severe wasting.	Severe Malnutrition
9	No cough, No diarrhoea and	oedema of both feet.	Severe Malnutrition
10	No cough, No diarrhoea and	severe pallor.	Severe Anaemia
11	No cough, No diarrhoea and	does not have severe wasting, does not have oedema but has some pallor.	Anaemia
12	No cough, No diarrhoea and	does not have severe wasting, does not have oedema but is very low weight-for-age.	Very Low Weight
13	No cough, No diarrhoea, No severe wasting, No oedema of both feet and	not very low weight-for-age and does not have pallor.	Not Very Low Weight

Summary : (10 min)

- Ask different participants to demonstrate on the case management chart how they arrived at their answers in each of the questions above.

Evaluation of the session

Objective	Assessment Method
Classify a sick child by using the case management chart	Answers on assessment sheet