



# Child Health Screening Tool

**1. What is the child's age?**  Years  Months

**2. Vaccinations:**  
 Ask to see the *Road To Health Booklet* and check which vaccinations the child has had. → Are all the child's vaccinations up to date?  Yes  No  
**ACTION:** Remind the mother why childhood vaccinations are important and encourage her to take the child as soon as possible for any missing vaccinations.

**3. Malnutrition:**  
 Measure the mid-upper arm circumference of the child. (See activity on measuring mid-upper arm circumference in the section on malnutrition.) → What colour is the zone in the window of the measurement tape?  Green  Yellow  Red  
**ACTION:** If the mid-upper arm circumference of the child falls in the yellow or red zone, tell the mother that she must take the child to the clinic immediately.

**4. Other illnesses & danger signs:**  
 Is the mother worried the child may not be WELL for ANY REASON?  Yes  No  
**ACTION:** If the mother is worried about the child FOR ANY REASON she should take the child to the clinic as soon as possible.  
 Has the child had any of the following signs of illness? → **ACTION:** If the child has had any of these signs of illness encourage the mother to take the child to the clinic to be checked as soon as possible.

- Not able to drink or breastfeed.....
- Baby does not have a healthy cry.....
- The skin around the cord is red and swollen.....
- Vomiting everything.....
- Convulsions (seizure or fits).....
- Cough or difficulty breathing.....
- Fast breathing or very slow breathing.....
- Chest pulled in (child's ribs pull in as child breathes in).....
- Lethargic (tired) or unconscious.....
- Skin has a yellowish colour.....
- Diarrhoea.....
- Fever or very cold to the touch.....
- Did not have a wet nappy today.....
- Did not pass a stool today.....
- Stiff neck.....
- Rash.....
- Ear problem, pain or discharge.....
- Eye infection/runny or red eyes.....

