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ACRONYMS USED IN THIS MANUAL

CBR community-based rehabilitation

COM chronic otitis media

EHCSAT Ear and Hearing Care Situation Analysis Tool

ENT ear, nose and throat

NCEHH national committee for ear and hearing health

NEHC national ear and hearing health coordinator

NGO nongovernmental organization

PEHC primary ear and hearing care

PEHCTR Primary Ear and Hearing Care Training Resource

SOP standard operating procedures

SWOT strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats

UNICEF United Nations Children's Fund

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Many causes of hearing loss can be prevented or mitigated. In addition, people who develop hearing loss can benefit from appropriate and timely interventions. The profile and causes of hearing loss vary greatly across and within regions, as does the availability of infrastructure and resources to address it. Hence, it is essential that each country develop its own strategic plan to deal with hearing loss and its causes.

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