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# Abbreviations

<b>MDG</b>	Millennium Development Goal
<b>UN</b>	United Nations
<b>UNFPA</b>	United Nations Population Fund
<b>UNICEF</b>	United Nations Children's Fund
<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization

## Colour codes

	Family planning and reproductive health		Clinical transfusion
	Pregnancy/maternal health		Laboratory
	Childbirth		Surgery and anesthesia
	Post-Natal Mother		Injection safety
	Post-Natal Baby (Newborn)		Health care facilities
	Infancy and childhood		



This publication is composed of the following sections:

## Section 1

Describes the background, objectives, methodology and related definitions in the context of the current document.

## Section 2

Includes the list of essential interventions in reference with current WHO evidence-based guidelines for reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health.

## Section 3

Includes the sources of medical devices for the development of each matrix of medical devices by level of health care facility.

## Section 4

Presents the matrix of medical devices per continuum of care, for clinical procedures for reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health, by level of health care facility, from health post to health centre to district hospital. The information is presented in 16 tables. Specific medical devices have been grouped under one name to avoid having a complicated extensive list of devices by intervention. For further analysis, the groupings of these devices are explained in Section 3.2. For example, to find the medical devices for intervention for pregnant women in a district hospital, please see the table entitled “Medical devices for pregnancy at district hospital”.

## Section 5

Lists medical devices and commodities for laboratory and blood bank. The laboratory supply is listed by 4 levels of health care facility. The essential commodities for blood bank are listed by the steps of procedure for blood transfusion.

## Section 6

Notes important guidance for providing safe surgery and anaesthesia and lists common surgical instruments by surgical procedure in the matrix of medical devices in Section 4.

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