

OBJECTIVES

- **To assess the quality of outpatient care, including both clinical and counselling care, provided to sick children aged 2 months up to 5 years old at health facilities implementing the IMCI strategy;**
- **To describe organizational and other “health systems support” elements influencing the quality of care and identify major constraints to it;**
- **To measure key indicators of quality care to monitor progress of the IMCI strategy at health facilities; and**
- **To recommend further approaches to improving the quality of outpatient child health services.**

METHODOLOGY

SELECTION OF HEALTH FACILITIES

Systematic, random selection of 66 health facilities from a list of 136 facilities in 8 States in urban and rural areas and by type of facility:

- **implementing IMCI; and**
- **with estimated daily caseload of at least 2 cases below 5 years old**

DISTRIBUTION OF HEALTH FACILITIES IN THE SAMPLE BY LOCATION AND TYPE

