

Screening of children presenting to participating hospital

Patient meets all inclusion criteria:

- Aged > 6 months and <12 years
  - History of respiratory illness
  - Hypoxia (SpO<sub>2</sub> <92%)
  - Suspected severe pneumonia per WHO guidelines
- Does not meet any exclusion criteria

Randomised at 48 hours following admission to hospital

**Stratum A**

Supplementary feeding for 56 days using RUTF in addition to usual diet  
N = 420

**Stratum B**

Usual diet only  
N = 420

Follow-up until day 180