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Dear Dr Suzanne Hill,

With reference to your mail , I suggest the following comments for your kind consideration :

1. Paediatric preparations-Essential Drug List to be structured according to the morbidity pattern prevailing in the country (Country -specific)
2. Essential Drug List to be specific for Primary health care level, separate for secondary & tertiary care level ; unless facilities are available secondary & tertiary care drugs should not be used.
3. The number of drugs can be restricted depending upon the efficiency, pricing, quality & drug reactions rather than listing more drugs as in the draft. For example in Tamilnadu Medical Services corporation (TNMSC), India only 51 drugs are listed as essential drugs to cater the needs of approximately 3,000 primary health centers.
4. Standard Treatment Guidelines should go in hand for the usage of paediatric drugs in children, as the dosage varies with the age group, weight, etc.

Regards,

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