Table S1: Minimum data collection standards [12] for ILI and SARI surveillance.

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| **Essential minimum data for ILI/SARI surveillance** |
| **General information:** |
| Unique patient identifier used to track patient and link laboratory data to epidemiological data |
| Gender |
| Age |
| Date of symptom onset |
| Date of hospitalization (SARI patients only) |
| Date of specimen collection |
| Antiviral use for present illness at the time of specimen collection |
| **Clinical signs and symptoms:** |
| History of fever and body temperature at presentation |
| Pregnancy status |
| **Chronic pre-existing medical illness(es):** |
| Chronic respiratory disease |
| Asthma |
| Diabetes |
| Chronic cardiac disease |
| Chronic neurological or neuromuscular disease |
| Haematological disorders |
| Immunodeficiency, including Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) |
| **Optional data (depending on programme needs):** |
| Signs and symptoms |
| Smoking history |
| HIV or AIDS recorded separately from other immunodeficiency |
| Tuberculosis co-infection |
| Body mass index (requires height and weight) |
| Influenza vaccination status (current and previous year) and date of vaccination |
| Ethnicity or member of disadvantaged minority |
| Specific haematological disorders (e.g. sickle cell disease) |
| Patient outcome |