



Takeaway: M4 S11 Treatment Phases



Key Messages:

- Nutritional treatment in a nutritional programme has 3 phases: **Phase 1, Transition Phase and Phase 2**. For infants less than 6 months different stages of treatment are used.
- Phase 1 and Transition Phase is delivered in ITFC and Phase 2 in ATFC (except for rare cases where a child needs to start Phase 2 as an inpatient).
- Each phase has a **specific objective**, specific nutrition products are used, and specific activities that must accompany it (e.g. vaccination). The **length of stay** in each phase will vary according to the child's condition and clinical evolution.
- In each ITFC, the decision to change children from one phase to another should be made by the clinical team including the staff member who does the daily ward round
- The **criteria to change phase must be strictly followed**. Make sure the patients are not changed from one phase to another too quickly (or take too long).

