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Collection of surgical volume indicator is a key recommendation of the Lancet Commission on Global Surgery. With the provision of surgery, it is estimated 16.9 million deaths annually could be minimized owing to surgery's place as a core component of the healthcare system. Yet data to track surgical volume is woefully lacking. Unmet surgical need is essential for assessing the barriers to care which may be financial, social/cultural, geographical and so forth. The unmet need data set will enable ministries to strengthen their surgical system in a targeted fashion. The sheer magnitude of death and disability associated with not having a surgical system means it is entirely appropriate that these indicators are placed in the core modules.

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