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Subject: About one SPA variable

Posted by [shakim](#) on Sat, 18 Sep 2021 13:37:52 GMT

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Dear Sara,

Hope you are well. I am working with Bangladesh 2017 SPA.

I would personally be inclined to focus on insulin (final report table 8.2), as this is a truly life-saving medicine for which 80% availability is essential. I would also like to know which types of insulin were measured (specific long/short acting, mixed, human/analogues, etc.).

I would be very grateful for your help with this matter.

Regards,  
Shakim

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Subject: Re: About one SPA variable

Posted by [SaraDHS](#) on Mon, 20 Sep 2021 17:24:45 GMT

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Hi Shakim,

The best way to know exactly was measured for each variable is to look at the questionnaires located in the appendix of each final report. For Bangladesh 2017 SPA (<https://dhsprogram.com/pubs/pdf/SPA28/SPA28.pdf>) on page 213 you can see the section of the questionnaire which includes insulin. The question asks about INSULIN INJECTIONS [ANTI DIABETIC], so we can conclude that any injectable insulin was included in the variable.

Best,  
Sara

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