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Oral rehydration therapy

Gastroenteritis is one of the major causes of childhood mortality and morbidity. Oral rehydration therapy is the cornerstone of treatment and has been widely promoted throughout the world. A number of stamps have been produced to increase public awareness and

improve education. The three stamps shown here illustrate various features and aspects of this form of treatment. All relate to the UNICEF Child Survival Campaign.

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