Pneumonia was the largest single cause of death among children under 5 years old, with 1,100,000 deaths in 2015.

The critical role of nutrition in preventing pneumonia. 60% of childhood pneumonia deaths can be attributed to undernutrition.

Simple solutions: Nutrition intervention alone can prevent pneumonia, but combined with routine immunization, it can reduce pneumonia deaths by around 30%.

Children are not being treated: At least 57% of children are not being treated.

Every year up to 80 million children suffer from pneumonia.

Top innovations needed to reduce childhood pneumonia deaths:

1. Nutrition-rich food interventions are needed for high-risk populations and children recovering from pneumonia.
2. Systematic screening of young children in health facilities using a simple, affordable breath test to diagnose pneumonia.
4. Integration of pneumonia control into routine childhood immunization and routine primary health care programs.
5. Increased awareness and education of parents and caregivers about the symptoms and dangers of pneumonia.

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