APPENDIX 2. List of variables evaluated by univariable as predictors of hospitalisation

The following variables were evaluated as hospitalisation predictors:

a) age [two to five months, six to 11 months, 12-23 months or 24-59 months]

b) sex

c) ethnicity [Lao Loum or other (Hmong, Khmu, Prai, Ma Kong, Alak, Ngae, Talieng, Dak Kang)]

d) transport mode [private vehicle or public transport]

e) hospital travel time [under one hour or longer]

f) two or more people less than five years old in household

g) household cigarette smoke exposure

h) primary household cooking fuel [biofuel (wood, charcoal) or non-biofuel (electricity, gas, kerosene)]

i) household income below the poverty line [less than 250,000 kip per month]

j) maternal completion of primary school

k) any history of exclusive breastfeeding

l) previous presentation to a health facility for current illness

m) being age-appropriately immunised.