

The evolution of response to the child with diarrhoea				
The response to In the century...	→			
		An unwell child	A more significantly unwell child	A severely ill child with signs of shock
↓ 1600's		Apply an ointment Give a tonic Offerings to deities	Blame evil spirits Charge a larger fee	Time for action – apply leeches Insist on fee up front
1900's		Presume it is a virus Reassure parents Make arrangements	Plan to give antibiotics but make sure of decision first - often by testing in flasks etc	Give antibiotics Give intravenous fluids Give more fluids if