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Sommario/riassunto	Enhancing the competencies of health professionals is only one of the ways health care services can be improved. The management of information in particular has been shown to impact the quality of health care service delivery. A powerful approach is to improve the tools with which health and health-related data and information are collected stored accessed disseminated and used. This publication covers areas related to the management of patient information at three levels (local health care facility regional/district and national). It analyses the trends in the progression from paper-based inf