



Evaluating Community Health Workers in Malaria Prevention and Treatment Services: Metrics and Challenges in Kenyan Villages 2003

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Abstract

Community health workers (CHWs) play a crucial role in malaria prevention and treatment services in Kenyan villages, particularly in remote areas where access to healthcare facilities is limited. The research employed a mixed-methods approach combining qualitative interviews with quantitative data analysis from health records to assess CHW efficacy and operational difficulties. CHWs reported treating an average of 30 malaria cases per month in their villages, but faced significant challenges such as limited funding for diagnostic tests and supplies. Despite the high demand for services, there are substantial gaps in resources that hinder CHW efficiency. Recommendations include increased financial support and training programmes to enhance service delivery. Enhanced funding should prioritise procurement of essential medical supplies and equipment, while additional training can improve diagnostic accuracy and treatment protocols.

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