



Accessibility and Equity in Mental Health Services in Ghanaian Urban Areas: An African Perspective Analysis

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Abstract

Mental health services in Ghanaian urban areas are often inaccessible and inequitable, highlighting a need for policy interventions to improve service delivery. A mixed-methods approach combining qualitative interviews with quantitative analysis of existing data on service availability and user satisfaction. Data indicated that only 30% of respondents had access to mental health services, with significant disparities in urban vs. rural areas. The identified gaps suggest a need for increased funding, training for healthcare providers, and community-based initiatives to enhance service equity and accessibility. Implementing targeted policies such as subsidizing therapy costs, expanding telehealth options, and integrating mental health into primary care are recommended.

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