



Utilization Rates and Maternal Mortality Impact of Community Health Workers in Ethiopian Villages, 2004 Context

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Abstract

This study examines the utilization rates of community health workers in Ethiopian villages and their impact on maternal mortality. A survey was conducted among mothers living in various Ethiopian villages. Data were collected through structured interviews focusing on utilization rates of community health workers and their effectiveness in reducing maternal mortality. Community health workers were utilised by approximately two-thirds (65%) of the surveyed mothers, indicating a moderate level of engagement despite varying levels of access to these services across different villages. Utilization of community health workers appears critical for maternal care and can significantly impact mortality rates. Future research should explore factors influencing utilization rates further. Efforts should be made to increase accessibility to community health workers in underserved areas, particularly focusing on improving infrastructure and training programmes.

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