



Evaluating Community Health Worker Programmes on Maternal Mortality Rates in Lagos, Nigeria: A Longitudinal Study from Selected Villages,

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Abstract

Maternal mortality rates remain high in Nigeria, particularly in urban areas like Lagos. Community health worker programmes are seen as a potential solution to this issue. A longitudinal study design was employed with data collected from to . Data on maternal mortality rates and service utilization were obtained through interviews, surveys, and community health worker records. Significant reductions in maternal mortality rates were observed where community health workers provided services compared to control areas. Specific villages showed a decline of 45% in maternal deaths over the study period. Community health worker programmes appear effective in lowering maternal mortality rates, highlighting their importance for improving healthcare access and outcomes in urban settings. Further research should be conducted on scalability and sustainability of community health worker programmes across different regions to inform policy decisions. Maternal Mortality, Community Health Workers, Lagos, Nigeria, Longitudinal Study

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