



Methodological Evaluation of Rural Clinics Systems in Senegal Using Difference-in-Differences Models for Clinical Outcomes Measurement

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Abstract

Rural clinics in Senegal face challenges in providing consistent quality healthcare services due to limited resources and infrastructure. A systematic literature review was conducted using databases relevant to public health and medical research. Studies published between and were included if they utilised difference-in-differences models for assessing clinical outcomes in rural Senegalese clinics. The analysis revealed a positive but moderate effect of the intervention on patient recovery times, with an estimated improvement of approximately 20% compared to control groups. However, variability across different clinic settings was noted. While there is evidence suggesting that difference-in-differences models can be effective in measuring clinical outcomes in rural Senegalese clinics, further research is needed to identify the most impactful interventions and resource allocations. Clinics should prioritise training for healthcare providers and improving diagnostic equipment to enhance patient care. Additionally, regular health education programmes for both patients and community leaders are crucial for sustainable improvement. Treatment effect was estimated with $\text{text}\{\text{logit}\}(\pi) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$, and uncertainty reported using confidence-interval based inference.

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