



# Community-Based Maternal Health Care Services in Ethiopian Villages: A Survey Research

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## Abstract

Maternal health care services are crucial for reducing maternal mortality rates in developing countries. In Ethiopia, where access to healthcare is limited, community-based initiatives have emerged as a promising strategy. A survey research design was employed, involving structured interviews with mothers from 15 randomly selected villages across different regions of Ethiopia. Data collection tools included questionnaires and focus group discussions. Community-based services were utilised by 78% of surveyed women, demonstrating high acceptance rates. Mothers reported significant improvements in prenatal care access (92%) and skilled birth attendance (86%). The findings suggest that community-based maternal health care services have a positive impact on maternal health outcomes. Continued support for these initiatives is recommended to ensure sustained improvement in maternal health. Further research should explore long-term effects and sustainability of such programmes.

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