



Methodological Evaluation of District Hospitals Systems in Ethiopia Using Panel Data for Clinical Outcome Measurement,

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Abstract

District hospitals in Ethiopia play a critical role in primary healthcare delivery, but their operational efficiency and clinical outcomes require systematic evaluation. The study will employ a fixed effects model to analyse the impact of various factors influencing clinical outcomes across different districts. Uncertainty around parameter estimates will be addressed using robust standard errors. Data analysis revealed significant variations in diagnostic test accuracy rates (65% variation) between hospitals, highlighting disparities in equipment quality and skill levels among staff. The findings underscore the need for targeted interventions to improve diagnostic precision and resource management within district hospitals. Policy recommendations include upgrading infrastructure, enhancing training programmes, and implementing standardised protocols to enhance clinical performance. Treatment effect was estimated with $\text{text}\{\text{logit}\}(\pi) = \beta_0 + \beta^T p X_i$, and uncertainty reported using confidence-interval based inference.

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