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Title: The Social determinants of Health Facility Delivery Among Reproductive Aged Women in Ghana

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Abstract

This study aims to examine at what extent social determinants ..................

Introduction

Globally, every year there are over 20 million conceptions....... 

In (years) Ghana has a population of about 28 million and a population density of 12 (reference). Females account for about fifty-one percent of the population (reference) with an estimated total fertility rate of 4. According to the 2015 Ghana Demographic and Health Survey report, inhabitants reside almost equally in urban and rural areas. In Ghana, health facilities administer health care through maternity homes, Community-based Health Planning and Services (CHPS) health post, public, private and mission hospitals. Healthcare delivery in Ghana is decentralized and implemented through teaching hospitals, regional hospitals, district hospitals, health centres, clinics and health posts. However, the distribution of healthcare facilities is skewed in favour of the urban areas. The distribution of health care facilities is skewed in favour of the urban areas.

Conceptual framework for health facility delivery

Although several theories of healthcare utilization have been developed, the most widely used is Anderson's model of healthcare utilization. Anderson's model represents interrelationships of possible predictors of healthcare utilization within an integrated framework. Therefore, in this research.............

Insert the figure of the conceptual framework (environment (healthcare system), population characteristics (predisposing factors or demographic structure of health beliefs, enabling factors, need), and Health behavior (personal health practices or use of healthcare services).
Discussions

In the discussion you can also discuss on the use of Anderson's conceptual framework. For example you can argue that using the Anderson's conceptual framework, we explored the utilization of health facility during delivery among educated people or others .......... etc and how that is in relation with predisposing, enabling and/or need factors.

For example, you can also argue that enabling factors (wealth quintile) and need factors were significantly associated with high use of health facility during delivery. Or the enabling factors like wealth quantile are strong predictors of the utilization of health facility during delivery.

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