

DELIVERING QUALITY ESSENTIAL MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES DURING COVID-19

WEBINAR SERIES

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A Network for Improving Quality of Care
for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health



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OBJECTIVES OF THIS SERIES

- To highlight the need for and opportunities to maintain and strengthen maternal, newborn and pediatric quality of care in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic
- To share global guidance and learn from countries on approaches to maintain quality essential MNCH services services



COVID-19 IMPACT ON MATERNAL & CHILD MORTALITY

Early estimates of the indirect effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on maternal and child mortality in low-income and middle-income countries: a modelling study (Roberton et al, Lancet, 2020)

- LiST modeling for 118 LMICs:
 - Reductions in coverage of 15% for 6 months would result in **12,90** additional maternal deaths and **253,500** additional child deaths
 - Reductions of around 45% for 6 months would result in **56,700** additional maternal deaths and **1,157,000** additional child deaths.
- This would represent a **9.8% - 44.7%** increase in U5 deaths and **8.3%-38.6%** increase in maternal deaths per month.

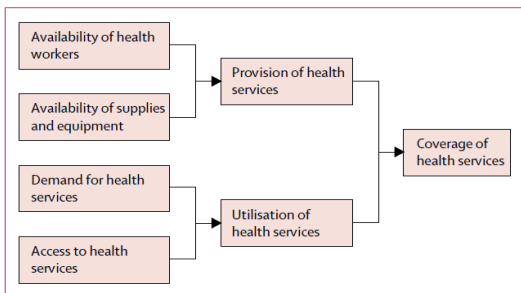


Figure 1: Framework for the effects of health system components on coverage of health services

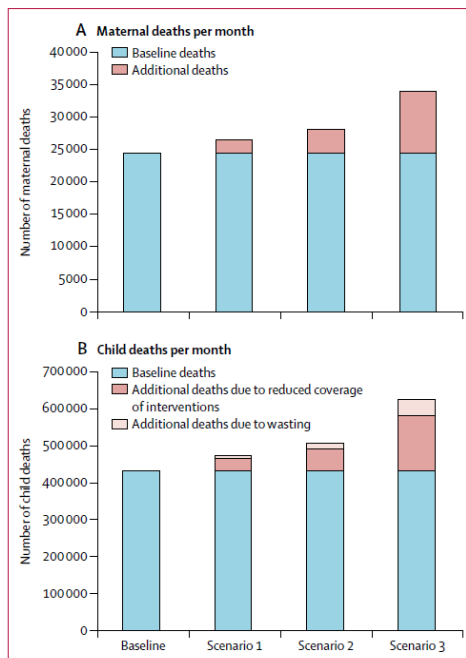


Figure 2: Baseline and additional maternal and child deaths per month by scenario

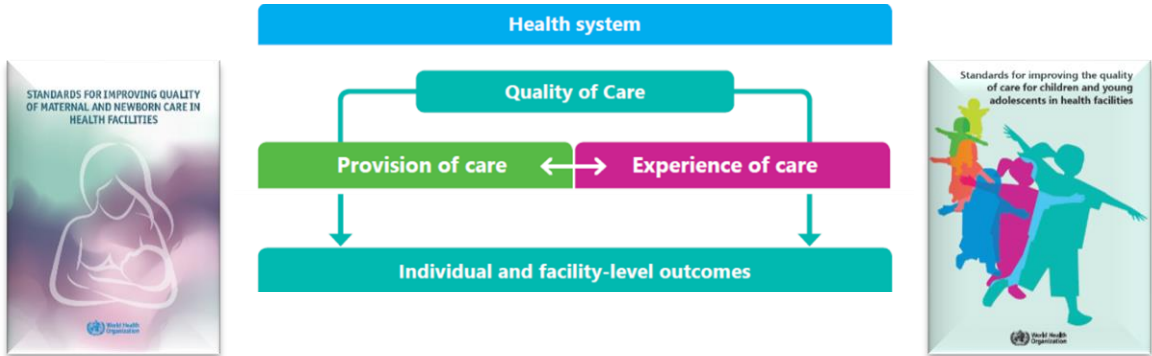
QUALITY MATTERS!

Maintenance of essential health services in COVID-19 context: Implications across quality domains

Quality domain	Illustrative implications
Effectiveness	Guidelines may not be available to account for altered ways of working
Safety	Enhanced IPC needs; challenges with staffing levels to maintain patient safety
People-centredness	Potential fear about using health services; visitors & family not allowed in hospital
Timeliness	Increased waiting times due to staff re-deployment; postponement of “non-essential” care
Equity	Covid-19 control measures may limit access for specific population groups
Integration	Disruption to usual systems will challenge coordination and referral mechanisms
Efficiency	Control measures (e.g. distancing) require adaptations to provide services efficiently



WHO STANDARDS FOR DELIVERING QUALITY CARE FOR MATERNAL NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH



AGENDA - 1st WEBINAR IN THIS SERIES

Infection prevention & control

Facilitated by: Dr. Anne Detjen (UNICEF), Dr. Blerta Maliqi (WHO),
Dr. Pavani Ram (USAID), Dr. Tedbabe Degefie Hailegebriel (UNICEF)

- Presentation of WHO's guidance on Infection Prevention & Control for Health Services
 - Dr April Baller, Medical Officer WHO, Geneva
- Reflections from Liberia on implementing IPC
 - Dr. Samson Arzoaquoi, Ministry of Health, Liberia
- Ask the experts session

The Liberia experience

Dr. Samson Arzoaquoi

- Liberia's approach to ensuring safe continuation of essential MNCH services
- Key **challenges**
- Practical **solutions**

ASK THE EXPERTS

- Type your questions in the **chat box** in the bottom right corner of your screen
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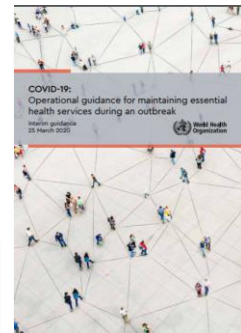


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