

A systematic review of menstrual regulation, safe abortion and post-abortion care adopted and implemented in 'rural' districts during response and recovery phase

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Review question

What sexual and reproductive health (SRH) for menstrual regulation (MR), safe abortion (SA) and post-abortion care (PAC) approaches/models for service delivery have been adopted in 'rural' districts?

What components in these MR for MR, SA, and PAC interventions implemented were most effective in increasing 'availability, accessibility, acceptability and quality' (translating, in-kind to reach RQR) areas?

What are the challenges and opportunities of implementing these MR for MR, SA and PAC interventions in 'rural' districts?

Searches

The following databases will be used to search for peer-reviewed primary studies published, regardless of study design MEDLINE, EMBASE, PsycINFO, PubMed, CINAHL.

International reports and grey literature will be searched from relevant databases and websites, including WHO Global Health Observatory, The Documentation Data Exchange WorldBank Health, Health Data Collaborative, Institute of Health Metrics (IH) institutions (UNFPA, UNICEF, UNHCR, UN Women, UN Statistics, UNICEF's Inter-Agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Crisis (IWRG), ResearchGate, Grey literature from ProQuest Dissertation and Theses, Other and OpenGrey.

Search dates: Only studies conducted in 2019 or later will be included

Language restrictions: Only studies in English language will be included due to time constraints.

Authors who have only published an abstract will be contacted to conduct a comprehensive search/looking for unpublished articles or "grey literature". Also, the reference lists of all included articles will be reviewed to identify relevant cited articles not identified in the initial database searches.

Types of study to be included

Inclusion criteria: Studies using any research design (both quantitative and qualitative e.g. RCT, cross-sectional, ethnography and mixed methods studies), International guidelines, Studies published from 2019 to date.

Exclusion criteria: Commentaries, editorials, conference papers and letters to editors without intervention components evidence, Animal based studies, Studies before 2019, Non-English studies.

Condition or domain being studied

Sexual and reproductive health services such as menstrual regulation, safe abortion and post-abortion care for the women