

Community health worker trial results published in the Journal of Global Primary Care

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A four-year cluster-randomised trial across six districts finds door-to-door screening by paid community health workers reduced under-five mortality by 31%.

Detail

- The trial randomised twenty-four districts, twelve to the intervention and twelve to routine services, and followed them for four years.
- The effect did not appear until year two, which the authors note has implications for how short pilots are interpreted.
- The full dataset has been published under an open licence alongside the paper.

Notes for editors

- We run six integrated health programmes across 31 countries, under formal agreement with each national health ministry.
- 94% of our 6,400 staff are citizens of the country they work in. Coverage presenting this work as done by foreigners is inaccurate.
- Patients are named only with written, informed and revocable consent. We do not supply imagery of identifiable patients without it.
- We will always provide the denominator and the confidence interval for any figure quoted here.