

Ultrasound survey to evaluate patient perceptions of Ultrasound in obstetric care and opportunities to improve that care

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Summary:

This survey is an add-on to the ongoing Ultrasound Study currently underway in Thatta Pakistan. The findings of this study will be used to make recommendations for quality improvement of the participating health facilities' obstetric care, increasing the uptake of referral visits, and improving pregnant women's adherence to antenatal care recommendations for obstetric ultrasound (US) and overall. Structured individual interviews will be conducted during this survey.

- Interviews with women upon receiving a referral for complications in ultrasound study
- Interviews with field sonographers will focus on determining staff perceptions of women's understanding of US findings
- Interview with referral hospital sonographers to determine staff perceptions of whether women understand why they have been referred, women's barriers and motivators/facilitators to attending referral visit.
- Interviews with clinicians at the referral hospital will determine the effect of the ultrasound intervention on their practice.