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PREMAND Community Intervention Report New Ambulance Service in Wundua



Wundua leaders purchased a three-wheeled motorcycle and retrofitted it to make an ambulance.

To form their Innovation Site Committee, leaders in Wundua reconvened a preexisting group of individuals who had previously worked on community health issues. The five committee members met four times over the course of two months and considered a few different investments, including building a delivery room as well as implementing various ambulance/transportation service options for expecting mothers and newborns in need of care.

They ultimately decided to purchase a three-wheeled motorcycle to be retrofitted as an ambulance. Committee members also went door-to-door collecting additional funds for the project to cover expenses like fuel and wages for a driver.

The moto-ambulance has already transported a number of women and children to health facilities, increasing the use of the Wundua Community-Based Health Planning and Services (CHPS), because patients in surrounding areas know that CHPS offers transportation if women need to be transferred to higher level facilities.

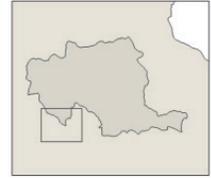
"The way they gave us the opportunity to choose the project ourselves was better than if they were to choose. They might have chosen one which would not have benefited us because they do not live here."

- Wundua PREMAND
Innovation Site Committee member

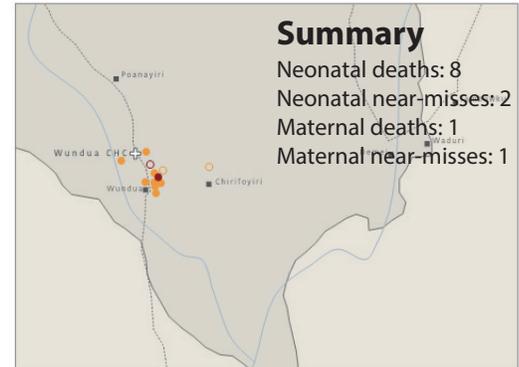
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Maternal and Neonatal Deaths and Near-Misses in Wundua, East Mamprusi Municipality

The Preventing Maternal and Neonatal Death (PREMAND) Project is a collaboration between the Navrongo Health Research Centre and the University of Michigan. Data collected from August 2015 - February 2017.



- Maternal Death (1)
 - Maternal Near-Miss (1)
 - Neonatal Death (8)
 - Neonatal Near-Miss (2)
- ⊕ Health Facility
 - Village
 - ▬ Road



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Preventing Maternal and Neonatal Deaths in Northern Ghana

Funded by USAID, the Preventing Maternal And Neonatal Death (PREMAND) project combined high-tech GPS mapping software with high-touch qualitative interviews to help communities in northern Ghana address maternal and neonatal mortality.

The team identified Innovation Site communities with a disproportionate burden of deaths and near-misses. Interactive maps showing the location of the incidents, combined with detailed narratives describing the circumstances of each event, helped health workers and leaders better understand the trends and the underlying causes of maternal and neonatal mortality in their region. Finally, small pilot grants of \$8,000 GH¢ (about \$2,000 US) were awarded to help each community tailor solutions to meet local needs.



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