

SUPPLEMENT TITLE:

Every Newborn BIRTH multi-country validation study: informing measurement of coverage and quality of maternal and newborn care

PAPER TITLE:

Birthweight measurement processes and perceived value: qualitative research in one EN-BIRTH study hospital in Tanzania

Additional File 3: Qualitative coding themes, EN-BIRTH study

Perceived Barriers to Accurate Birthweight Data

- a. *Attitudes and Knowledge*
 - i. Community Lack of Knowledge on Weight
 - Survival of LBW babies
 - ii. Mother's Understanding of Weight
 - Lack of Knowledge on Weight
 - Mother's Emotional State
 - Mother's Education Level
 - iii. Staff Knowledge and Attitudes
 - Fragility of Baby (e.g. Maintaining cleanliness and preventing cold)
 - Lack of Knowledge (e.g. On operating scales, using data)
- b. *Resources*
 - i. Human Resources
 - Exhaustion of Nurses
 - Increase in Number of Deliveries
 - More Patients Than Staff
 - ii. Physical Resources
 - Availability of Scale
 - Condition of Scale (e.g. Batteries, maintenance)
- c. *Practices*
 - i. Mother's Actions
 - Observations of Weighing
 - Recall of Weighing
 - ii. Nurses' Actions
 - Delay in Weighing (e.g. Due to complications, or forgetting to weigh)
 - iii. Stakeholders' Actions
 - Poor usage of birthweight data on population level

Perceived Facilitators to Accurate Birthweight Data

- a. *Attitudes of Importance of Birthweight*
 - i. Mother's Understanding
 - Improvement in maternal comprehension
 - Education of mothers (e.g. Antenatal and hospital education)

- Fundamental comprehension of weight (e.g. Emotional response, asking to know weight)
 - ii. Staff's Understanding
 - Weighing newborns is always necessary (e.g. Due to routine, expectation, or mother's right to know)
- b. Known Uses of Birthweight
 - i. Individual Level
 - Track progress of growth
 - Identify Health Problems (e.g. Gestational diabetes, poor nutrition)
 - Inform Appropriate Care (e.g. Feeding, medication, KMC)
 - ii. Population Level
 - Monitoring birthweight trends (e.g. Identifying population health issues, changes in prevalence of LBW)
- c. Practices
 - i. Mother's Actions
 - Retaining antenatal card
 - Asking to know weight
 - ii. Staff's Actions
 - Taking initiative to increase likelihood of baby being weighed (e.g. Double checking weights, weighing at discharge)