DETERMINANTS OF ANTENATAL HEALTH CARE SERVICE UTILIZATION AMONG MARRIED WOMEN IN SOUTHWEST, NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

The study examined the determinants of antenatal health care service utilization among married women in Southwest, Nigeria using 2013 Nigeria Demographic Health Survey dataset. The data set contained 3, 610 married women who had life births five years before the survey.

Logistic regression was employed to identify the factors influencing antenatal health care utilization. Findings revealed that majority (88.74%) of the respondents' utilized antenatal care.

Determinants of antenatal care utilization were level of education, wealth status and ethnicity.

The study concluded that these factors should be taken into consideration when designing Intervention programmes on antenatal health care service.