

Session Title:

Introduction to Impact Evaluation Methods And their Application in the Health Sector

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Session Description:

Increasingly governments and aid agencies are demanding to see hard evidence that programs and projects are achieving their intended impacts. A variety of experimental and non-experimental approaches have been developed to evaluate impacts. This session will provide an introduction to these methods and their application in the health sector, especially in developing countries. Methods to be covered are likely to include Propensity Score Matching (PSM), PSM with double-differencing, and Instrumental Variables. Experimental approaches may also be included. The organizers are based in two institutions that have been at the forefront of the application of impact evaluation methods, and the examples chosen will draw on this experience.

Expected audience: researchers, economists in government, M&E specialists, of special interest to participants from developing countries.