

Effects of Financial Subsidies on Access to Healthcare Services in Sub-Saharan Africa

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Abstract: This study aims to analyse the effects of financial subsidies on access to health services in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA). Drawing on theories of access to health services and stylised evidence, we formulate the hypothesis that financial subsidies improve access to health services in SSA. To test this hypothesis, the work uses secondary data and estimation techniques such as the Two Stages Least Squares method. It concludes that financial subsidies have positive and significant effects on access to health services in SSA, thus confirming the initial hypothesis. Given these results, governments need to increase subsidies to improve the availability and quality of healthcare.

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