

Surveillance for Use of Healthcare Services among Residents in Jiangsu Province



Background

There is an unequal relationship between the supply and utilization of health services.

The current National Health Services Survey cannot dynamically monitor the utilization of healthcare services, thus have failed to reflect and predict the trends of healthcare service utilization behaviors.

Aims

- 1) To understand the current features of health service utilization and expenditure, as well as the financial burden of healthcare expenditures placed on the residents of Jiangsu Province.
- 2) To explore and optimize the methods of monitoring health service utilization behaviors;
- 3) To dynamically track the behavior of health service utilization, analyze and predict the trends of health service utilization.

Study Design

Six hundred families were selected to participate: 300 urban families from Gusu District in Suzhou City, and 300 rural families from Jinhu County, Huai'an City. Research subjects were selected from families involved in the Fifth National Health Services Survey, with more quota given to the families with hypertension and diabetes patients. Project researchers will collect information on the service use and medical costs for a three-month period one baseline survey and six biweekly follow-up surveys.

Study Focus

Health system, health service utilization

Location

Jinhu, Huaian & Gusu, Suzhou, Jiangsu

Duration

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Impact

- The study can accelerate effective utilization of medical health resources, promote development of health management in a more elaborate direction, improve management ability, and overall further satisfy health requirements from residents.
- This study can provide fast and precise information for deepening the reform of the medical and health system's planning and evaluate overall health resources planning in the "13th Five-year Plan".

