

# Factors influencing choice of care seeking for acute fever

## Title

Factors influencing choice of care seeking for acute fever comparing private chemical shops with health centres and hospitals in Ghana: A study using case-control methodology

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## Data Description

An anonymised dataset containing information on demographic, socio-economic and health seeking behaviour for 600 patients who attended chemical sellers and health centres in Dangme West District, Ghana. It was collected using structured questionnaire between November 2012 and January 2013 as part of a case-control study to examine patient's treatment seeking practices.

## Data Collection Methods

Data was collected using structured questionnaire at chemical sellers and health centres in Dangme West District of Ghana.

## Data Analysis and Preparation

All data were double entered into EpiData and analysed in Stata in an anonymised form.

## Geographic regions

Dangme West District of Ghana.

## Key dates

Data collected between 22 November 2012 and 30 January 2013.

## Quality Controls

1. Crosschecking data on the field for blanks, errors, inconsistencies
2. Double entry of Data
3. Three levels of Supervision – Field Supervisor for Direct supervision of Fieldworkers, Study Coordinator supervising both Fieldworkers and Field Supervisors, PI Overseeing the whole project

## Species:

Human population

## Privacy:

Data was anonymised prior to analysis

## Ethics

Ethical approval was obtained from the Ethics Review committee of the Ghana Health Service (GHS) in Ghana. Permission was sought from the Dangme West District Health Management Team and the Health Facility Management Teams for this study. Informed consent was also sought from all study participants before their inclusion in the study.

## Keywords

Fever, Private sector, Chemical sellers, Health facilities, Treatment seeking, Ghana

## Language of written material

English

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### Project Information

#### Project

Dangme CommRDT study

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### File Description

Title	Filename	File type	Description
<b>Anonymised Ansah dataset</b>	Anon_Ansah_dataset.csv	Comma Separated Values	Anonymised dataset contains variables on patient demographics, socio-economic information and health seeking behaviour
<b>Case Control Form</b>	QuestionList.pdf	Adobe PDF 1.4	Case control form used in study
<b>Study Protocol</b>	Ghana_StudyProtocol.pdf	Adobe PDF 1.3	A description of the data collection methods used in the study
<b>Information Sheet &amp; Consent Form</b>	Information_and_ConsentForm.pdf	Adobe PDF 1.4	Information sheet and consent form used by study
<b>Data Dictionary</b>	DataDictionary_PDF.pdf DataDictionary_Excel.xlsx	Adobe PDF/A MS Excel version 2007	Data dictionary for anonymised dataset