The Experience Of Private Sector Participation In Family Planning Services In East Azerbaijan

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ABSTRACT

Background and Objectives: in some countries such as USA, India and Bangladesh. There are successful experiences of private sector participation in preventive cares, in some countries like USA,India and Bangladesh. Cooperative health centers were formed in 1997 in Tabriz city. This study conducted to compare family planning services in public and cooperative health centers.

Materials and Methods: A cross sectional study was conducted on 9 health cooperatives (CHC) and 18 public health centers (PHC). PHC and CHC performance compared in family planning services.

Target group included 15-49 year old married women and face to face interview was performed for data gathering The houses were selected based on multi stage sampling. EPI INFO and SPSS soft wares were used for data analysis.

Results: The results of this study shows that family planning coverage was 60 and 52 percent in CHC and PHC In each 12.5 And 0 percent of women who use oral contraceptives; had on time follow up. The mean time of delay to refer to CHC and PHC was 3.7 and 5.2

Conclusion: the experience of health cooperatives in primary healthcares are successful model. It can help in improving the quality and coverage of family planning services.

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