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# Acquiring Pregnant Women Treated through a Mobile Clinic: Jordanian Moms' Personal Stories

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#### **Abstract**

To get new insights on the experiences of these mothers and how they assessed the services that were offered by pregnant Jordanian women who received antenatal care through a mobile clinic. In a study that used a qualitative research approach, ten Jordanian moms who had received antenatal care at a mobile clinic talked about their experiences in semi-structured, recorded interviews. Interpretative phenomenological analysis was used for the analysis. Three key themes were discovered: Having knowledge of the medical campaign or not having knowledge when it may have been had; the experience of obtaining antenatal care was amazing, with the exception of one thing: they didn't do enough to protect our lives and educate us whenever possible. Data show that the mothers were generally happy. They had been pleased with the majority of the antenatal care treatments they had gotten at the mobile clinics. Despite the fact that services are generally favourably regarded, there are obvious ways to improve their quality. Outreach is not merely an "optional extra" for moms who live in isolated, underdeveloped areas; rather, it is a necessary service.

**Keywords:** Jordan; Mobile health units; Pregnancy Pregnant women; Prenatal care; Qualitative research

#### Introduction

Pregnant women's antenatal care can enhance various crucial maternal, perinatal, and foetal health outcomes. For both women and their newborns, the significance of high-quality prenatal care provided by a sufficient number of skilled staff members is clear. Financial concerns were a significant factor in the lack of prenatal care among women. A practical method of providing prenatal care is through mobile clinics that may be transported to the rural locations where services are most required [1]. Offering free antenatal care through a mobile clinic is a great method to engage with women who are vulnerable and rarely connect with others outside of their immediate family. Pregnant women's antenatal care can enhance various crucial maternal, perinatal, and foetal health outcomes [2]. The effectiveness of many common antenatal cares Despite improvements in care practises and a rise in the proportion of pregnant women seeking antenatal care over the past 30 years, many women continue to experience illnesses during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postpartum period, even though these health issues could be avoided or treated. 810 women die each day on average during pregnancy and childbirth throughout the entire world [3]. The majority of these deaths are preventable, and a significant fraction of these moms pass away in low- and lower-middle-income nations [4]. The most recent Jordanian National Maternal Mortality Report shows that 1451 women aged between 62 of these deaths were those of mothers with children under the age of reproductive potential [5]. This death toll is primarily caused by insufficient prenatal care coverage. Many women don't go to enough prenatal appointments, and when they do, the care they get is frequently of subpar quality. Despite the availability of antenatal care options, Jordan faces a number of obstacles when it comes to providing and gaining access to care. The unequal distribution of healthcare facilities, with many rural and remote communities having limited access to services, is a significant problem [6]. In these places, many expectant women must travel a great distance to a health facility, which can be a major challenge, particularly for women with restricted mobility or financial means. Another obstacle is the expense of antenatal care services, which can be out of reach for many women, particularly those who are poor. In some circumstances, women can be expected to pay for antenatal care services like ultrasounds or lab testing that may be out of their price range [7]. This might cause women to put off or skip getting care, which can cause difficulties and have a negative impact on both the mother's and the baby's health. A study by Menace and her coworkers found that using mobile health services can be beneficial for keeping track of pregnancies and encouraging patients to go to more prenatal appointments [8]. This kind of intervention can efficiently refer highrisk pregnancies in far-off places and offer prompt advice. The greater convenience mobile clinics provide women and their families are a big benefit. Families, as they shorten travel distance and time. According to the study, mobile clinics may be able to provide obstetric treatment and consultations to both low-risk and at-risk women in rural locations with little resources where specialised care might not always be available. In addition, societal and cultural issues, particularly in conservative societies where women may be hesitant to seek care from male healthcare professionals, may discourage some women from getting antenatal care. Additionally, women who seek antenatal care in some cultures may experience social stigma or criticism, especially from male healthcare professionals. This may deter women from seeking care or make it challenging for them to get it quickly. The high incidence of risk factors for poor maternal outcomes is another issue. and Jordan's child health outcomes. These risk factors, which can cause difficulties during pregnancy and childbirth, include high rates of anaemia, gestational diabetes, and hypertension. While antenatal care services are offered in Jordan, there are still many obstacles to overcome before all pregnant women can get the care they require. The importance of these issues in enhancing maternal health and reducing healthcare expenses cannot be overstated. In order to manage maternal

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health issues, encourage preventative health, and improve outcomes in neglected areas, governments and health professionals must develop innovative programmes. When providing antenatal care in outreach regions, which are sometimes isolated locations with little access to medical facilities, mobile clinics can offer a variety of advantages. One advantage is that pregnant women in their communities can get necessary antenatal care services directly from mobile clinics, which makes it simpler and more convenient for them to receive care. Another advantage of mobile clinics is that they can provide antenatal care to women who might not otherwise be able to do so owing to distance, lack of transportation, or financial limitations [9]. Other issues, such as linguistic or cultural obstacles, which may restrict access to antenatal care, can also be addressed with the use of mobile clinics. For instance, mobile clinics can employ medical professionals who are conversant in the regional culture and language, which helps foster confidence and enhance communication between medical professionals and patients [10].

## **Material & Methods**

- 1. Study design: Describe the study design employed in the research, such as a qualitative study utilizing interviews or surveys with pregnant women who received treatment through a mobile clinic.
- **2. Mobile clinic description:** Provide details about the mobile clinic used in the study, including its purpose, services offered, and any specific features that distinguish it from traditional healthcare facilities.
- **3. Participant recruitment:** Explain the process of participant recruitment, including the inclusion and exclusion criteria used to select pregnant women who received treatment through the mobile clinic. Describe how potential participants were identified and approached.
- **4. Data collection:** Outline the methods used to collect data from the participants. This could involve face-to-face interviews, focus group discussions, questionnaires, or a combination of these approaches. Discuss any measures taken to ensure privacy, confidentiality, and ethical considerations.
- **5. Data analysis:** Describe the techniques employed to analyze the collected data. This might involve thematic analysis, content analysis, or other qualitative methods to identify common themes, patterns, and key findings in the participants' personal stories.
- **6. Ethical considerations:** Address the ethical considerations taken into account during the study, such as informed consent, participant anonymity, and the approval of an ethics committee or institutional review board.
- 7. **Limitations:** Acknowledge any limitations or potential biases in the study design or methods, such as sample size constraints, cultural considerations, or researcher subjectivity that may have influenced the findings.
- 8. The material and methods section provides a clear description of how the research was conducted, enabling readers to understand the study's approach and evaluate the validity and reliability of the findings.

## Results

Demographic Information: Present the demographic characteristics of the participants, such as age, educational background, socioeconomic status, and geographic location. This information helps contextualize the personal stories and understand the diversity within the sample. Utilization of Mobile Clinic: Describe the extent to which pregnant women utilized the mobile clinic for their healthcare needs. This may

include the frequency of visits, types of services received, and reasons for seeking care through the mobile clinic. Perceptions of Mobile Clinic Services: Report the participants' feedback and perceptions regarding the quality of care provided by the mobile clinic. This may encompass aspects such as accessibility, affordability, availability of healthcare professionals, effectiveness of treatments, and overall satisfaction with the services received. Impact on Pregnancy Experience: Explore the impact of the mobile clinic on the participants' pregnancy experiences. This could include factors such as improved prenatal care, increased knowledge about maternal health, enhanced emotional support, or any challenges faced in accessing or utilizing the mobile clinic services. Personal Stories: Share excerpts or summaries of the personal stories shared by the participants. Highlight significant themes, experiences, challenges, or positive outcomes expressed by the women in relation to their healthcare journey through the mobile clinic. Of the estimated 2000 clinics around the country, a total of 811 had joined the network as of April 24, 2017, including 167 new clinics since 2014 (Figure 1). The interrelated CRM forms and processes. Recommendations and Suggestions: Based on the findings, provide recommendations for improving mobile clinic services for pregnant women. These may include suggestions for enhancing accessibility, addressing specific healthcare needs, or promoting community engagement and awareness. It's important to note that the specific results and findings of a study would depend on the research design, data analysis, and the experiences shared by the participants. The results section presents the key outcomes and insights gained from the study, offering a deeper understanding of the impact and effectiveness of the mobile clinic in providing care to pregnant women in Jordan. Though 33% of the 286 reporting clinics were independent programs, mobile clinics are often part of a larger organization (Table 1).

## Discussion

In the discussion section of a study titled "Acquiring Pregnant

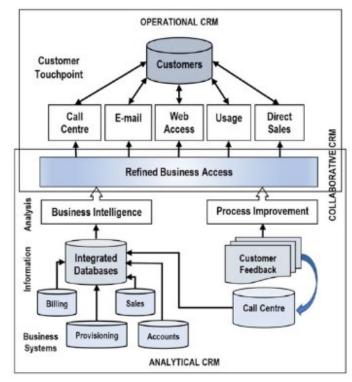


Figure 1: The interrelated CRM forms and processes.

Table 1: Characteristics of participants.

Participant ID	Age	Education Level	Parity	Gestational Age	Mobile Clinic Utilization
1	28	High School	2	20 weeks	Regular visits
2	32	University	1	12 weeks	Occasional visits
3	25	Primary School	3	28 weeks	Regular visits
4	30	High School	2	18 weeks	Regular visits
5	27	University	0	10 weeks	No visits

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#### Conclusion

The findings of this study highlight the significance of the mobile clinic model in improving access to maternal healthcare in Jordan. By bringing healthcare services closer to the communities, the mobile clinic addresses barriers such as geographic distance, affordability, and limited healthcare infrastructure. Pregnant women who utilized the mobile clinic reported increased accessibility to quality care, improved prenatal services, and enhanced emotional support throughout their pregnancies. Furthermore, the personal stories of the participants

demonstrate the empowerment and active engagement of women in their own healthcare decisions. The mobile clinic model has provided them with opportunities to voice their concerns, participate in decision-making, and have a sense of ownership over their healthcare journeys. This patient-centered approach has contributed to higher levels of patient satisfaction and overall positive pregnancy experiences. While the mobile clinic model has shown promising outcomes, it is essential to acknowledge the challenges and limitations it faces. Resource constraints, logistical issues, and cultural factors may impact the scalability and sustainability of mobile clinic initiatives. Addressing these challenges and building on the strengths of the model will be crucial for its continued success and wider implementation. The findings of this study have important implications for policy and practice in Jordan and other similar contexts. The mobile clinic model can inform the development of healthcare policies that prioritize accessibility, equity, and patient-centered care for pregnant women. The lessons learned from this study can guide future initiatives, including the expansion of services, strengthening partnerships with local healthcare providers, and enhancing community engagement. In conclusion, the personal stories shared by Jordanian mothers highlight the positive impact of mobile clinics in improving maternal healthcare access and experiences. By addressing barriers and providing patientcentered care, the mobile clinic model has the potential to positively transform the landscape of maternal healthcare, ensuring better health outcomes for pregnant women in Jordan and beyond. Continued research, evaluation, and collaboration among stakeholders will be essential in further advancing the mobile clinic model and its contributions to maternal healthcare.

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