Appendix A

Categorization of types of unmet need

Type of unmet need

- Accessibility (barriers that restrict the entry into or use of health care resources)
 - Cost
 - Transportation
- > Availability (reflecting perceived deficiencies in health care delivery that inhibit a person's ability to receive care)
 - · Waiting time too long
 - · Care not available when requested
 - · Care not available in area
- Acceptability (personal attributes and attitudes related to the health care system)
 - · Dislike doctor/afraid
 - Language problems
 - Didn't know where to go
- Personal choice (concerning attitudes and competing responsibilities not related to the health care system)
 - Too busy
 - Didn't get around to it/didn't bother
 - Felt it would be inadequate
 - Decided not to seek care
 - Personal/family responsibilities