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1. Ethical Approval for Sites

Country	Cluster Primary Investigator and Affiliation	Ethics Approval Authority	Ethics Approval Number
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Sierra Leone	Matthew Clarke, Welbodi Partnership, Freetown.	Office of the Sierra Leone Ethics and Scientific Review Committee Directorate of Training and Research, Connaught Hospital; Sierra Leone	Not provided
Haiti	Carwyn Hill, Hope Health Action, Cap Haitien	Cap Haitien does not have a formal ethical review process, Memorandums of understanding were drawn up with each hospital trust and a letter of support gained from the Ministry of Health.	NA
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2. Trial Facilities in each cluster

Cluster	Tertiary Facilities	Secondary Facilities	Primary Facilities
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	St Paul's Hospital, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Ras Desta, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia	Selam Health Center (Woreda 9), Woreda 7 Health Centre (Gulele)/Hidasse, Woreda 10 Health Center (Gulele)/shegole, Free Methodist Health Center, Woreda 5 Health Center, Woreda 2 Health Center Michewe, Addis Ketema Health Center (Addis Ababa), Woreda 5/18 Health Center (Addis Ketema), Woreda 7 Health Center (Addis Ketema), Woreda 7 Health Center (Addis Ketema), Woreda 10 Addis Ketema, Woreda 5 Abebe Bikila, Ras Emiru Health center, Gulele Semen, Simgn Kebede, Kolfe Woreda 2, Addis Gebeya HC, Mikililand Health Centre
Harare, Zimbabwe	Mbuya Nehanda Maternity Hospital, Harare, Zimbabwe	Concession District Hospital Makumbi Hospital	Henderson Clinic, Christon Bank Clinic, Nyabira Clinic, Gwebi College Cllnic, Mount Hampden Clinic, Dzivarasekwa Extension Clinic, St Josephs Clinic, Mabvuku Polyclinic, Warren Park Polyclinic, Hatcliff Polyclinic, Rujeko (DZ) Polyclinic, Parirenyatwa City clinic, Tafara Clinic, Greendale Clinic, Eastlea Clinic, Highlands Clinic, Borrowdale Clinic, Mt Pleasant Clinic, Avondale Clinic, Belvedere Clinic, Mabelreign Clinic, Malborough Clinic
Ndola, Zambia	Ndola Teaching Hospital	N/A	Chipokota Mayamba Clinic, Chipulukusu Clinic, Commando Camp Clinic, Dola Hill Clinic, Itawa Clinic, Kabushi Clinic, Kalewa Clinic, Kaloko Clinic, Kaniki Clinic, Kawama Clinic, Lubuto Clinic, Main Masala Clinic, Mushili Clinic, Ndeke Clinic, New Masala Clinic, Nkwazi Clinic, Padmodzi Clinic, Peter Singogo Clinic, Prisons Clinic, Railway Surgery, St Dominic Mission Hospital, Tug Argan Clinic, Twapia Clinic
Freetown, Sierra Leone	Princess Christian Maternity Hospital, Freetown, Sierra Leone	Rokupa Government Hospital	Approve School CHC, Haja Neneh, Jenner Wright CHC, Kissy CHC, Konkay CHC, Kuntorloh CHC, Looking Town MCHP, Moyiba CHC, Principal Medical officer Clinic, Ross Road CHC, St. Joseph CHC
Cap Haitien, Haiti	Fort Saint Michel Hopital, Convention Baptiste d'Haiti,	Centre de Sante Quartier-Morin	Centre de Sante de Cadush, Centre de Sante de Morne Pele, Centre de Sante Labadie, Centre de Sante Limonade, Centre de Sante Porte Ouverte, Centre de Sante St Charles, Dispansaire St. Louis, Dispensaire de Grand Pre, Unite

	Justinian		de Lutte pour la Sante (ULS), Centre de
	University		Sante de Madeline
	Hospital		
Gokak, India		Al Shifa Hospital Arogya hospital Mudalgi Arogya woman child Hospital, Mahila and Childrens Hospital Dhondiba Jadhav Memorial Hospital, Dr Kattimani Hospital Ganga surgical and	Akkatangerhal SC Dasanatti, Akkatangerhal (PHC+ Sub Centres AK Hal I & II, Akkatangerhal SC Iranatti, Akkatangerhal SC Panjanatti, Ankalagi (PHC+ Sub Centres I and II), Ankalagi SC Gujanal, Ankalagi SC Mallapur, Ankalagi SC Suladal, Bairanatti (PHC+ Sub Centres I), Bairanatti SC Sunadholi, Bairanatti SC Tigadi, Balobal SC Hunshyal, Balobal SC Sangankeri, Balobal (PHC and SC I), Balobal SC
		Maternity Clinic Gokak General Hospital Gourishankar Hospital Gokak J G Cooperative Hospital Jayaratna Hospital, Kadagalikar Maternity and Children Hospital, Kappalaguddi Hospital, KHI Hospital Masurkar Hospital, Mudalagi CHC Muragod Hospital, Navajeevan Maternity & Nursing Home, Nayakwadi Hospital, Shanta Nursing and Maternity Home Soubhagya Nursing and Maternity Home	Arabhavi, Balobal SC Lolasur, Betageri SC Chikkanandi, Betageri (PHC and SC I), Company Hospital Gokak Falls, Hallur (PHC and SCI and II), Hallur SC Khanatti, Kallolli (PHC and SC I, II), Khanagaon (PHC and SCI), Khanagaon SC DG Hatti, Khanagaon SC Shiltibhavi, Konnur (PHC SC I and II), Konnur SC Godachinamalki, Konnur SC Gokak Falls i and II, Konnur SC Melamatti, Konnur SC Nandagaon, Koujalagi (PHC and SC I and II), Koujalagi SC Kalliguddi, Kulagod (PHC SC I and II), Kulagod SC Dhavaleshwar, Mamadapur (PHC and SCI), Mamadapur SC Maradishivapur, Masaguppi (PHC SCI), Masaguppi SC Dharmatti, Masaguppi SC Vadratti, Melavanki PHC (PHC+ SC-1), Melavanki PHC -SC Maladinni, Melavanki PHC -SC Upparatti, Naganur (PHC SCI), Naganur SC Gurlapur, Naganur SC Mudalagi I and II, Sindhikurabet (PHC SC I and II), Sindhikurabet Ghataprabha I and II, Sindhikurabet SC Duradundi, Talakatnal (PHC and SC), Talakatnal SC Gosabal, Talakatnal SC Uddagatti, Tavag (PHC SC I and II), Tavag SC Benachinamardi, Tavag SC Kolavi, Tavag SC Urabinatti, Tukkanatti (PHC SC), Tukkanatti SC PG Mallapur, Tukkanatti SC Rajapur, Yadawad (PHC and SC), Yadawad SC Avaradi, Yadawad SC Girisagar, Yadawad SC
Mulago, Uganda	Mulago and Kawempe Hospital	Lubaga Hospital, Mengo Hospital, Nsambya Hospital	Yaragudri Kawala Health Centre III, Kisenyi Health Centre, Kisugu Health Centre III, Kiswa Heaslth Centre III, Kitebi Health Centre III, Komamboga Health Centre III, Naguru general hospital, Naguru Teenage Centre, Kibuli Hospital
Lusaka, Zambia	University Teaching Hospital	Chainama, Chainda, Chawama, Kalingalinga, Kanyama,	Bauleni, Chaisa, Chazanga, Chelstone, Civic Center, George, Kabwata, Kamwala, Kaunda Square, Matero

		Mtendere, Chilenje, Chipata, Levy Hospital, Matero Referral, Sikanze	Main, Ngombe, Prisons, Railway, State House, State Lodge
Zomba, Malawi	Zomba central Hospital	Balaka , Holy Family, Machinga, Mangochi, St Lukes, Pirimiti	Chingale, Chipini, Magomero, Matawale, Matiya, Mayaka Namikango , Ntaja, Phalombe
Mbale, Uganda		Mbale regional referral hospital	Ahamadiya. Atuturi hospital, Bubulo, Budadiri, Budaka Bududa hospital, Bufumbo Bugobero, Bukedea, Bukiende, Bumadanda, Bumasike, Bunampogo, Bungokho, Busano, Bushikori, Busiu, Busolwe Hospital, Buwangwa, Kadama, Kamonkoli, Kibuku, Kolonyi, Lwangoli, Makhonje, Maluku, Mbale prisons, Mt.elgon hospital, Naiku, Nakaloke, Namakwekwe, Namanyonyi, Namatala, Namawanga, Pallisa hospital, Police 2, Siira HCIII, Sironko, Tirinyi, Wanale

3. Alternative Correlation Models Tested

Correlation Model	Planned Adjusted Comparison* (Trend & Step)	Adjusted Comparison* (Bent Stick)	
	(Odds Ratio)	(Odds Ratio)	
Ar 1	1.12 (0.86-1.47)	1.11 (0.80-1.54)	
	0.39	0.54	
Ar 5	1.13 (0.85-1.51)	1.17 (0.70-1.95)	
	0.40	0.70	
Exchangeable	No convergence	No convergence	
Independent	1.32 (0.86-1.48)	1.13 (0.81-1.57)	
-	0.37	0.81	
Unstructured	No convergence	No convergence	
Stationary 1	1.13 (0.86-1.47)	1.11 (0.80-1.55)	
-	0.39	0.53	
Stationary 5	1.11 (0.84-1.45)	No convergence	
-	0.48	-	
Non-stationary 1	No convergence	No convergence	
Non-stationary 5	No convergence	No convergence	

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