

11.9 to 11.11. RECOMMENDATION:

Should ASSOCIATE CLINICIANS deliver a maintenance dose of magnesium sulphate to (a) prevent eclampsia and refer to a higher facility if appropriate; and (b) treat eclampsia and refer to a higher facility?

Problem: Poor access to treatment for eclampsia

Option: Associate clinicians delivering maintenance dose of magnesium sulphate

Comparison: Care delivered by other cadres or no care

Setting: Community/primary health care settings in LMICs with poor access to health professionals

Recommendation	We recommend against the option <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	We suggest considering the option only in the context of rigorous research <input type="checkbox"/>	We recommend the option <input type="checkbox"/>
We recommend against the use of associated clinicians to deliver a maintenance dose of magnesium sulphate to prevent or treat eclampsia.			
Justification	There is insufficient evidence on the effectiveness of associate clinicians delivering a maintenance dose of magnesium sulphate to prevent or treat eclampsia and refer to a higher facility, the intervention is outside of their typical scope of practice, and its acceptability is uncertain.		
Implementation considerations	Not applicable		
Monitoring and evaluation			
Research priorities	Studies of the effects and acceptability of associate clinicians delivering magnesium sulphate for the prevention and treatment of eclampsia		