

12.6. RECOMMENDATION:

Should AUXILIARY NURSES perform vasectomy?

Problem: Poor access to contraception
Option: Auxiliary nurses performing vasectomy
Comparison: Care delivered by other cadres or no care
Setting: Community/primary health care settings in LMICs with poor access to health professionals

Recommendation	<i>We recommend against the option</i>	<i>We suggest considering the option only in the context of rigorous research</i>	<i>We recommend the option</i>
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<p>We suggest considering the option only in the context of rigorous research. Implementation in the context of research should be done where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - auxiliary nurses are already an established cadre - a well-functioning referral system is in place or can be put in place <p>Note: Five members of the panel dissented and indicated that they would prefer to recommend against the option as they considered this procedure to exceed the typical scope of practice of auxiliary nurses</p>			
Justification	There is insufficient evidence on the effectiveness of this intervention. In addition, there is uncertainty regarding its cost-effectiveness, feasibility and acceptability.		
Implementation considerations	Not applicable		
Monitoring and evaluation			
Research priorities	Studies to assess the effects, acceptability and feasibility of auxiliary nurses performing vasectomy are needed		