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Women's awareness and perceptions about maternal mortality  
in rural communities in Assiut and Fayoum Governorates, Egypt

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**Abstract:**

**Background:** Awareness of women about maternal mortality is a very important step as a preventive measure to reduce its rate and to understand misconception of women's knowledge about its issues.

**Aim of the study:** This study aimed to assess the awareness and perceptions of women about maternal mortality issues in rural areas at both Assiut and Fayoum governorates.

**Subjects and Methods:** Descriptive Comparative research was conducted in this study. 600 rural women were included divided in two equal groups at Assiut and Fayoum governorates (300 & 300) respectively. A Structured interviewing questionnaire was designed by the researcher to assess the awareness and perceptions of these women who lived in rural communities about maternal mortality issues.

**Results:** There are no statistical significance differences between both groups as regards the levels of awareness about maternal mortality ( $P > 0.05$ ). More than two thirds of rural women in both groups considered postpartum period as the commonest time for maternal deaths (71% & 67% respectively). The rural women in both groups perceived that lack of maternal health awareness as the main cause of maternal deaths (60%&64%

respectively). Age of women and their family size were considered as risk factors affecting the levels of awareness for these women.

**Conclusions:** There are no statistical significance differences between both groups in rural communities as regards the levels of awareness about maternal mortality.

**Recommendations:** Educational programs about maternal health issues through Ministry of Health to raise the awareness of women about these issues especially in rural communities of Egypt.

**Key words:** Maternal Mortality, awareness, perceptions.