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Task Redistribution for Nurse Management of Hypertension in Rural Kenya

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ABOUT THE PRESENTATION
Hypertension is the leading global risk factor for mortality. Poor treatment and control of hypertension in LMICs is due to several contributing factors, including insufficient human resource capacity. Thus, a critical component of hypertension management is to develop novel and effective solutions to the human resources challenge. The webinar will discuss experiences of an NIH-funded implementation research project for task redistribution of hypertension care from physicians to nurses carried out in rural Kenya; the work conducted on effectiveness and strategies to optimize task redistribution and nurse-based care, use of mobile health clinical decision support tool, and barriers and facilitators to nurse management of hypertensive patients in rural Kenya.

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

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