

Determining Causes of Death with ChatGPT: A Case Study of Deaths from Verbal Autopsy in Sierra Leone from 2019-2022

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1 Background

Reliable counts of deaths and diagnosis of their causes are crucial for public health planning and policy making — guiding interventions and resource allocation to reduce premature deaths [1–4]. However, most low-income countries have reported to have either no data on deaths or have registered less than 50% of deaths in their country, where an even fewer 8% of these registered deaths have a Cause of Death (COD) recorded [5]. To fill in this gap, an alternative method known as Verbal Autopsy (VA) is used to determine likely causes for deaths at scale and outside of traditional healthcare facilities [6–8]. VA involves trained surveyors that interview those familiar with the deceased to gather information using standardized questionnaires and open narratives, while medical professionals evaluate the gathered information to assign probable CODs [9].

2 Methods

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