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Caitlin Gerdts is an Epidemiologist at ANSIRH. Her research focuses on the measurement of morbidity and mortality due to unsafe abortion in the developing world. Dr. Gerdts is particularly interested in using quantitative bias analysis techniques to identify and correct for bias in studies that seek to measure the health sequelae of unsafe abortion. Dr. Gerdts is currently

collaborating with researchers at ANSIRH to design and implement a "Global Turnaway Study." The study, building on the framework of the U.S. [Turnaway Study](#), aims to assess how being denied an abortion affects women's physical, mental and social health in countries with varying laws and cultural norms relating to abortion. Dr. Gerdts received her undergraduate degree in Human Biology from Stanford University; an MHS in Population, Family, and Reproductive Health from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; and a PhD in Epidemiology from the University of California, Berkeley. Phone: 510-986-8967.