

The Right to Health: Effort towards achieving quality and equity



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Scope of Services

The services offered include three basic specialties, General surgery, Obstetrics/Gynecology and Pediatrics. The Accident and Emergency services are provided daily on a 24 hour basis. Pharmacy, Laboratory and Imaging services are provided daily on shift and/or as on-call service for 24 hour.

Primary care services are provided through the two Primary Care Providers (PCP's) and the satellite clinics from 8am to 7pm Monday to Friday and 8a.m-12 p.m. on Saturdays.

Mortality Indicators

Years	MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE	INFANT MORTALITY RATE	NEONATAL MORTALITY RATE
2009	101.6 x 100 000 live birth	27.5 x 1000 live birth	17.3 x 1000 live birth
2010	161.0 x 100 000 live birth	11.3 x 1000 live birth	4.4 x 1000 live birth
2011	Zero	16.0 x 1000 live birth	10.0 x 1000 live birth

Socio Economic Indicators

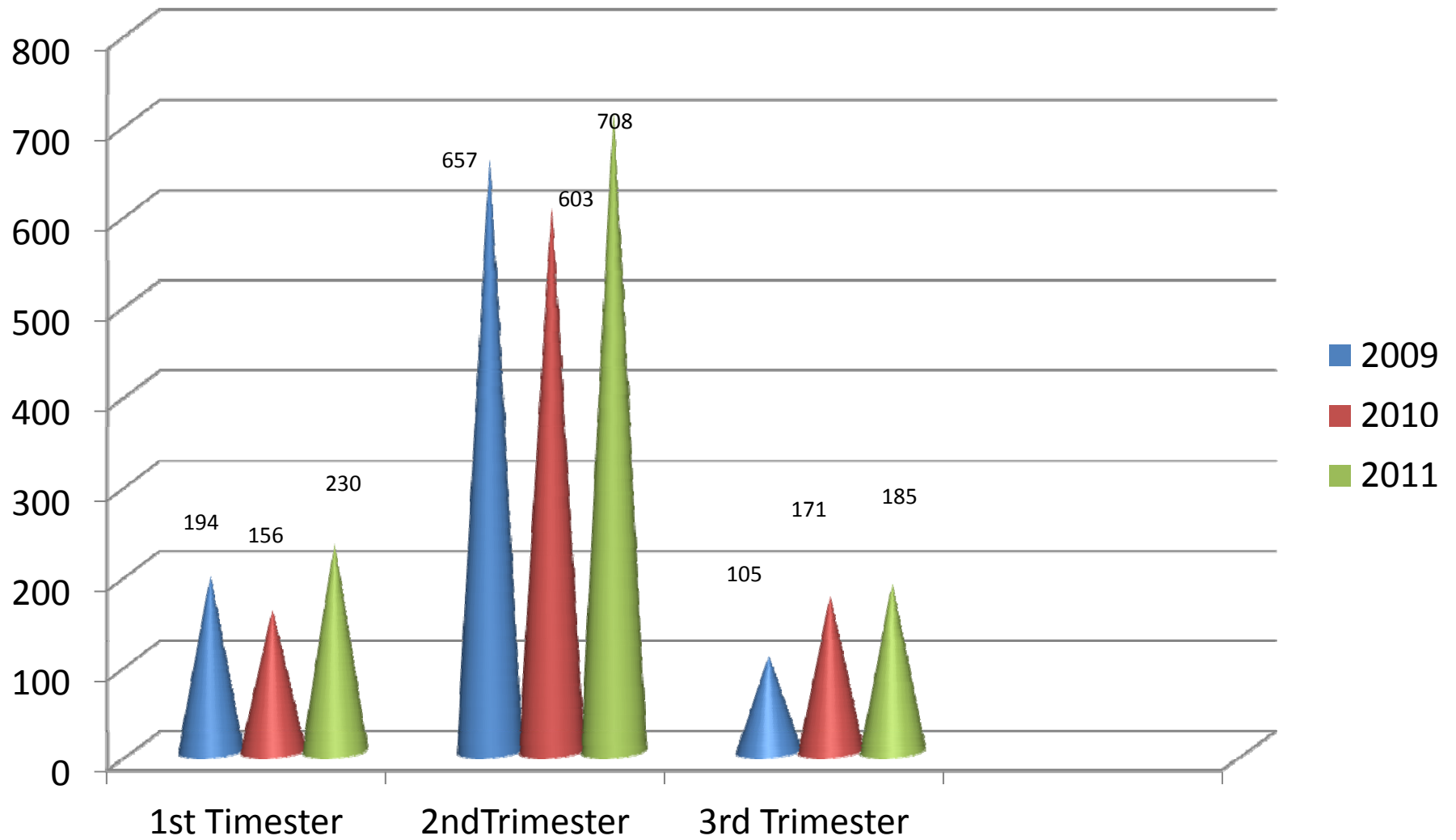
Indicators	STANN CREEK
Population with access to potable water	96.1%
Population living in Poverty	43.7%
Adult Literacy	75.0%
Hospital Births	93.6%

Source Belize Basic Indicators 2010 Volume No: 8

Achievements

- Zero maternal deaths
- Full implementation of the quality improvement in maternal and neonatal care services.
- A significant increase of 47% of clients accessing services during the first trimester due to increase awareness of early attendance to clinic.

Prenatal Care



Achievements

- 100% immunization coverage in all vaccines with the exception of MMR 1 with 93% which is below acceptable WHO standards
- Implementation of Nutritional supplement(Encaparina) for pregnant, lactating and undernourished children.
- Improved monitoring of water quality in place.

Achievements

- In the year 2011 also indicated that majority of water systems sampled were negative which reflects that a better monitoring of water quality is in place.

Challenges

- Although there was no maternal death, we are still facing the challenge of increase neonatal and infant deaths in 2011.
- To meet the high demand of care, nurses continue to do sessions which does not allow them to have adequate rest causing them to become fatigued. It is imperative that all nursing posts be filled to enhance performance.

Challenges

- However it is alarming that clients are still accessing services in late pregnancy an increase of 8.2% in 2011.
- No proper sanitary land fill for solid waste in some communities.

Challenges

- More bacteriological water samples were positive in 2011 from gravity fed water systems and few rudimentary water systems.
- Poor sanitary conditions in some schools

Recommendation

- Increase supervision at all levels
- Continuous monitoring and evaluation.
- Increase in human resources (nursing, specialists, public health inspectors, health educators)
- Improve collaboration with other stakeholders

Questions/Comments

THANK YOU