

# Psychological, Social, and Clinical Consequences of Medicalization in Pregnancy and Childbirth: A Scoping Review

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- Increasing use of medical technologies in pregnancy and childbirth
- Uncertainty about the benefits and risks of these technologies
- Identify and evaluate the outcomes and performance of medical interventions in pregnancy
- Helping to make better decisions and provide improved health services



- Medical interventions have played an important role in reducing maternal and neonatal mortality. Performing unnecessary interventions places a financial burden on the health system.
- Recommendation: Provide medical services only when necessary.
- Avoid routine use of these interventions for all pregnant women.



- Scoping review in five steps: Designing the research question Searching and extracting relevant studies Selecting studies Organizing data Reporting results
- Databases: Scopus, Google Scholar, PubMed, WOS, SID



- The results were organized into six categories:
- Safety
- Inequity in Access
- Women's autonomy and agency
- Psychological issues
- Medical interventions in vaginal birth
- Costs