Jacob Mazalale

EDUCATION

PhD student, University of Heidelberg, Institute of Public Health, 2013 - present MSc, Cardiff University and Hochschule Fresenuis, 2010 BA, University of Malawi at Chancellor College, 2007

OVERVIEW

I am a health economist trained in health economics with an emphasis on quantitative research methods, impact evaluation and economic evaluation. My current research, which will lead to my doctoral thesis, seeks to understand the impact of supply-side and demand-side financial incentives on the use of maternal and newborn care services in low-income settings. Previously, I have worked at the Ministry of Health in Malawi as a health economist. My work with the Ministry focused on health financing, health policy and health systems strengthening. It is my ambition that as we learn about the cost, effectiveness and impact of interventions in health through research, these data can be disseminated to fellow scientists through publications and also translated into materials that will prove useful and informative for lay audiences and policymakers.

LANGUAGES

Chichewa (Native), English, Basic French, Basic German

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs College of Medicine Capacity Building Award, 2013-2016
- PRB Policy Communication Fellows Program, 2015-2016

PUBLICATIONS

Kambala C, Lohnmann J, **Mazalale J**, Brenner S, Allegri MD, Muula AS, Sarker M: How do Malawian women rate the quality of maternal and newborn care? Experiences of women in the central and Southern Regions. <u>BMC Pregnancy Childhealth 2015</u>, 15:169.

Mazalale J, Kambala C, Brenner S, Chinkhumba J, Lohnmann J, Mathanga DP, Roberstad B, Muula AS, De Allegri M: Factors associated with delivery outside a health facility: cross sectional study in rural Malawi. *Trop Med Int Health TM IH 2015*.