**Demographic Determinants and Patterns of Contraceptive Utilization among Women in North-Eastern Nigeria.**

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***Abstract***

*The study examined patterns of contraceptive utilization among rural women in North Eastern Nigeria. Using multivariate method of analysis, the study used the 2013 NDHS data set. With a total of 6,630 respondents, the result of analysis revealed that demographic factors such as age, age at first marriage, religion and socio economic status of respondents have great influence on contraceptive usage in this region of the country. The study concluded that efforts should be geared towards mass education of the girl child in this region as the level of awareness on contraceptive usage and other fertility behaviour among women is at low ebb. It is therefore recommended that for the least developed and most populated region of the country to halt persistent increase in population, more attention must be given to the use of contraception and sustainable routine community awareness programs should be initiated to improve the conditions of over 40 million Nigerians.*