

## **Operational Definition of Terms**

**Urban** are generally defined as localities with 2000 or more inhabitants based on the Ethiopian Central Statistical Agency.

**Rural** comprise all areas not classified as urban.

**Antenatal care (ANC)** is a health service provided to pregnant women in the continuum of maternity care.

**ANC service use** is the utilization of antenatal care services for at least 1 or more scheduled contacts.

**Maternal care delivery** is the care delivered to women who attended pregnancy care within the hospital or are referred from public or private health facilities.

**Maternal health status** is the health and well-being of women during childbirth; it could be stable, dead, deteriorated, or referred.

**Neonatal age at birth** is the gestational age of the newborn during birth, including premature, full-term, and post-term newborns.

**Time for NTDs diagnosed** is the time at which the neural tube defects were detected, which includes during pregnancy follow-up, after arrival to the facility and before delivery care, or after the baby was delivered.

**Stillbirth** is a fetal death occurring before birth, after a selected, predefined duration of gestation. The death of the fetus could have occurred before the onset of labor (antepartum) or at the time of delivery (intrapartum).