

The case of the social program Oportunidades in Mexico: the influence of the conditionality of resources regarding medical appointments

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Abstract:

Cash Transfer programs have been implemented in several countries in Latin America. In the case of Mexico, PROGRESA- Oportunidades has been running for over decade. This one, like any other transfer program, has the property that resources are constrained, which means that to be a borrower of money, household members have to attend various activities the program will mark, among them the assistance to medical appointments. This paper examines whether the resources generated conditions that the recipients attend medical appointments for the money, or conversely, have failed to see the assistance as a result of the compliance obligation.

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