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Content	<p>The majority of maternal and neonatal deaths are preventable if proper care is provided during pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium. Compañeros En Salud (CES), a non-governmental organization based in the rural area of "Sierra Madre" in Chiapas State in Mexico, started a maternal health support program in 2017 intended to guarantee a prompt, complete and adequate antenatal, childbirth and postpartum care for the women in the rural communities where is established. After the implementation of an electronic medical record and a new platform from the Ministry of Health for the follow-up of the pregnant women in eleven rural clinics, we have been able to assess in an unprecedented accurate manner the performance of the program. In the second semester of 2019, 64% of the women that attended at least once to the clinic during their pregnancy got complete antenatal care (ANC; at least 5 visits), 44% of the women that attended at least once to the clinic during their pregnancy started their ANC within the first quarter of pregnancy, approximately 10% of the women at maternal age risk were referred to the hospital of Jaltenango de la Paz and 73% of the first postpartum visits to the clinic were within the first 15 days after giving birth. After quantifying the room for improvement of the program, we are setting up a quality improvement initiative, aimed to achieve a complete antenatal, childbirth and postpartum care for the women in the rural communities where CES collaborates.</p>