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As a general surgeon and public health research, I fully support these efforts to collect more robust data on maternal mortality and peri-operative mortality rates. We need to better understand the true burden of maternal mortality facing LMICs, and we need data to improve our understanding of the quality of surgical care delivery around the world. Peri-operative mortality is an essential metric by which any surgical system can benchmark itself and its essential that it be included in the DHS surveys. Thank you for these efforts.

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