

Built Environment	
Content	Evaluation / Reference
Conduct a needs assessment in rural areas	Community involvement including, planning, designing, building, and implementing is essential for a successful MWH, e.g. site selection appropriate to area, engage community in donating supplies (e.g. sand, bricks, lumber).
Linked to health facility providing Basic Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (BEmONC)	Shelter is adjacent to BEmONC facility
Within 2 hours transfer time to a Comprehensive Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care (CEmONC) facility.	Adjacent to BEmONC within 2 hours of a CEmONC
Meets a minimum standard of quality structures and services	A minimum standard of quality structures and services should be determined prior to construction. Standards may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe and secure structure • Sleeping room • Kitchen • Bathroom
Linked to income generating activities (IGAs) that help recover recurring maintenance costs.	In addition to generating income for recurring maintenance costs, IGAs provide skills training and activities for women at MWHs.
Governed by a locally elected committee overseeing a Caretaker and a Site Coordinator that ensure daily maternity home and IGA activities are executed.	Strong community engagement is key to the scale-up and sustainability of MWHs; additionally government support and policy development is essential.