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ASSESSING THE DETERMINANTS OF OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH RISKS AMONG DOMESTIC WASTE COLLECTORS: A CASE STUDY OF THE VOLTA REGION OF GHANA

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1. One cannot understand domestic waste collectors' unmet needs without immersing oneself in the solid waste management sector. (this thesis)
2. Domestic waste collectors' motivation is a complex phenomenon and a product of personal, interpersonal and organizational processes in the work context. (this thesis)
3. Promoting occupational health and safety leads to domestic waste collectors living happier and higher quality lives. (this thesis)
4. Promoting occupational health and safety leads to DWCs decreasing demand for health and social services; and lowering the costs related to occupational injuries and diseases among DWCs. (this thesis)
5. With adequate training, supervision, equipment and logistics support, DWCs can identify and prevent occupational injuries and diseases that are threatening their well-being and quality of life. (this thesis)
6. Effective communication and engagement of DWCs are important determinants that may enhance the correct and appropriate use of personal protective equipment.
7. Interventions that are systematically planned and theory and evidence-based are more effective.
8. Pursuing a PhD is like the work of a porter: patience, diligence, and resilience are key to successful completion
9. One of the greatest tragedies in life is for one to give up and resign oneself to fate.
10. "I like to walk in the rain, because no one can see my tears" (Charles Chaplin)