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INVOLVING THE VILLAGE HEALTH WORKER

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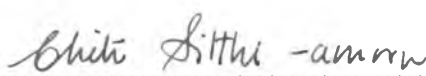
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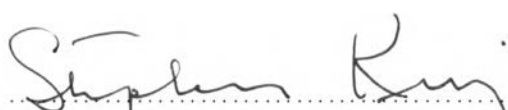
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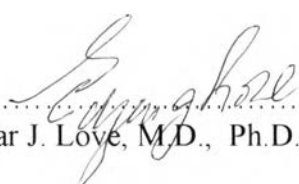
  
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## **ABSTRACT**

A low attendance to health facility by patients suffering from epilepsy is a problem faced by all developing countries. In Nepal, the % of epileptics under treatment is much lower at the 3 - 4 % level than the 8-20% level reported from other developing countries.

The factors responsible for giving rise to this scenario has been extensively discussed together with the remedies possible in the Nepalese context. A community based management program has been suggested using the existing manpower at the level of the health post to facilitate better coverage.

This study is proposed to be conducted in one health post as a pilot project by integrating it with the normal functioning of the District Public Health Office. Once it is fully tested, this approach can be used by the Ministry of Health in other areas by integrating it the daily functioning of the health post system.

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