

➤ **Study of the social determinants of health which influences maternal and child health inequalities in Africa, Latin America and Europe**

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