This bibliography focuses on social and biomedical sciences research on chronic physical and mental illnesses in Ghana. Conditions include asthma, cancers, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, depression, epilepsy, hypertension, mental illness (as a general category), sickle cell disease and stroke. We have gathered information from peer-reviewed journals (especially hard-to-access African Journals), research reports, policy documents, postgraduate theses, conference proceedings and grey literature.

Five research areas have been prioritised:
1. Epidemiology (burden of disease; risk factors)
2. Socio-cultural representations of chronic diseases (knowledge, attitudes, behaviour)
3. Treatment and management (biomedical, ethnomedical, religious healing)
4. Experiences of chronic diseases and illness action
5. Advocacy, legislation and policy

We have structured the bibliography in chronological order to highlight research and disciplinary trends over time. This bibliography is an ongoing project. An annotated version will be uploaded in due course. We welcome comments and additions particularly from researchers with access to grey literature on our focal areas for Ghana and other African countries.

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