

## WELSH INFORMATION STANDARDS BOARD

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### DATA STANDARDS CHANGE NOTICE

A Data Standards Change Notice (DSCN) is an information mandate for a new or revised information standard.

This DSCN was approved by the Welsh Information Standards Board (WISB) at its meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023

**WISB Reference:** ISRN 2023 / 016

#### Summary:

The retirement of the maternity tail data items from the Admitted Patient Care data set.

#### Data sets / returns affected:

Admitted Patient Care Data Set (APC Ds)

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## **DATA STANDARDS CHANGE NOTICE**

### **Introduction**

The primary purpose of the Admitted Patient Care (APC) data set is to provide activity figures for admitted care. However, this data set is also used to calculate waiting times for admitted care.

The maternity tail data items were identified for retirement from the APC data set when the Maternity Indicators data set was implemented in 2016, however, the changes were not progressed. Analysis on usage of the data items showed that, only 2 health boards currently provide data, and so it was progressed via the IQI working group review process.

During the consultation in the IQI working group, it was agreed unanimously by all Health Boards for the maternity tail data items to be retired.

It has been confirmed that these fields are not currently used for any national and local reporting.

### **Description of Change**

This DSCN officially retires the 22 maternity tail data items from the Admitted Patient Care data set.

### **Data Dictionary Version**

Where applicable, this DSCN reflects changes introduced by DSCN and/or DDCN since the release of version 4.16 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

The changes introduced by such DSCNs will be published in version 4.17 of the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

### **Actions Required**

Actions for Local Health Boards / Trusts:

- Maternity tail fields to be populated with spaces to the length format in the APC data submission with immediate effect

## **Appendix A: Table reflecting areas that are impacted as a result of this DSCN**

The following table shows where there are changes to the scope and/or definitions of applicable data sets, data items, terms and other associated areas that are linked with the changes documented within this DSCN.

Each data definition type is listed in alphabetical order and is shown in the sequence in which it appears in this DSCN.

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Data Item	Birth Date (baby)	Retired	10
Data Item	Birth Date (mother)	Retired	11
Data Item	Birth Date Status (mother)	Retired	11
Data Item	Birth Order	Retired	12
Data Item	Birth Weight	Retired	12
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Data Item	Resuscitation Method	Retired	22
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## Appendix B: Highlighted changes to be made to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary

Changes to the NHS Wales Data Dictionary are detailed below, with new text being highlighted in **blue** and deletions are shown with a **strikethrough**. The text shaded in **grey** shows existing text copied from the NHS Wales Data Dictionary.

### Admitted Patient Care Data Set (APC Ds)

#### Data Set Structure

Rating 1=mandatory 2=optional		PEDW data item	Format/length
1	<a href="#">Record Id</a>		an1
	<b>CONTRACT DETAILS</b>		
1	<a href="#">Organisation Code (Code of Provider)</a>	Yes	an5
1	<a href="#">Organisation Code (Code of Commissioner)</a>	Yes	an5
1	<a href="#">Commissioning Serial Number</a>	Yes	an6
1	<a href="#">Commissioners Reference Number</a>		an17
	<b>PATIENT DETAILS</b>		
1	<a href="#">NHS Number</a>	Yes	n10
1	<a href="#">NHS Number Status Indicator</a>	Yes	n2
1	<a href="#">Patient's name</a>	Yes	an70 or structured name with 2 an35 elements
1	<a href="#">Name Format Code</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Patient's Usual Address</a>	Yes	an175 (5 lines each an35)
1	<a href="#">Postcode of Usual Address</a>	Yes	an8
1	<a href="#">Organisation Code (LHB Area of Residence)</a>		an3
1	<a href="#">Sex</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Marital Status</a> (Mandatory for Psychiatric Patients)	Yes	an1
1	<a href="#">Birth Date</a>	Yes	ccyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Birth Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">General Medical Practitioner (code of registered GMP) *</a>	Yes	an8
1	<a href="#">Local Patient Identifier</a>	Yes	an10

1	<a href="#">Ethnic Group</a>	Yes	an2
1	<a href="#">Legal Status Classification</a>	Yes	n2 - Legal Status Classification and Administrative Category replaced Category of Patient in April 1999
	<b>REFERRAL DETAILS</b>		
1	<a href="#">Referrer Code</a>	Yes	an8
1	<a href="#">Referring Organisation Code</a>	Yes	an6
	<b>PROVIDER SPELL DETAILS</b>		
1	<a href="#">Hospital Provider Spell Number</a>	Yes	an12
1	<a href="#">Administrative Category</a>	Yes	n2 - Legal Status Classification and
1	<a href="#">Decision to Admit Date</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Decision to Admit Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Start Date (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Admission Method (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	n2
1	<a href="#">Duration of Elective Wait</a>	Yes	n4
1	<a href="#">Intended Management</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Source of Admission (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	n2
1	<a href="#">Discharge Date (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Discharge Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Discharge Method (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Discharge Destination (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>	Yes	n2
1	<a href="#">Patient Classification</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Healthcare Resource Group</a>	Yes	an3 –Health Resource Group (HRG) replaced (DRG) in April 2000
	<b>CONSULTANT EPISODE DETAILS</b>		
1	<a href="#">Episode Number</a>	Yes	n2

1	<a href="#">Last Episode in Spell Indicator</a>		n1
1	<a href="#">Site Code (of treatment)</a>	Yes	an5
1	<a href="#">Ward Type at Start of Episode</a>	Yes	n7
1	<a href="#">Start Date (Consultant Episode)</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">End date (Consultant Episode)</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">End Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Main Specialty (consultant)</a>		n3
1	<a href="#">Treatment Function Code</a>	Yes	n3
1	<a href="#">Local Sub Specialty</a>	Yes	an3
1	<a href="#">Consultant Code</a>	Yes	an8
1	<a href="#">First Regular Day or Night Admission</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Neonatal Level of Care</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">Psychiatric Patient Status</a>	Yes	n1
	<b>Diagnostic Codes</b>		
	<b>Mandatory ICD-10 diagnostic coding</b>		
1	<a href="#">Primary (ICD)</a>	Yes	an6
1	<a href="#">1st Secondary (ICD)</a>	Yes	an6
1	2nd Secondary (ICD)	Yes	an6
1	3rd Secondary (ICD)	Yes	an6
1	4th Secondary (ICD)	Yes	an6
1	5th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	6th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	7th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	8th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	9th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	10th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	11th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	12th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	13th Secondary (ICD)		an6
1	<a href="#">Histological Diagnosis</a>	Yes	an6
1	<a href="#">Source of Histological Diagnosis</a>	Yes	n1

	<b>Patient Procedure Codes</b>		
1	<a href="#">Operation Status</a>		n1
	<b>Mandatory OPCS procedure coding (up to 12 Operative Procedures per episode)</b>		
1	<a href="#">Primary Procedure (OPCS)</a>	Yes	an4
1	<a href="#">Procedure Date</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Procedure Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
1	<a href="#">2nd Procedure (OPCS)</a> - 12th Procedure (OPCS) items as for Primary Procedure (OPCS)	Yes (up to 4th procedure for PEDW)	an4
1	<a href="#">Record Type</a>	Yes	n2
	<b>PREGNANCY &amp; DELIVERY DETAILS</b>		
±	<a href="#">General Medical Practitioner (code of GMP responsible for Antenatal care)</a>	Yes	an8
±	<a href="#">First Antenatal Assessment Date</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
±	<a href="#">First Antenatal Assessment Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Pregnancy : Total Previous Pregnancies</a>	Yes	n2
±	<a href="#">Delivery Place Type (actual)</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Delivery Date</a>		ccyyymmdd
±	<a href="#">Delivery Place Type (intended)</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Delivery Place Change Reason</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Gestation Length</a>	Yes	n2
±	<a href="#">Labour / Delivery Onset Method</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Delivery Method</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Status of Person Conducting Delivery</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Anaesthetic given during Labour/Delivery</a>	Yes	n1
±	<a href="#">Anaesthetic given Post Labour/Delivery</a>	Yes	n1

±	<a href="#">Number of Babies</a>	Yes	n±
	<b><i>Birth details (up to 6 births from one pregnancy)</i></b>		
	1st Baby		
±	<a href="#">Sex</a>	Yes	n±
±	<a href="#">Birth Order</a>	Yes	n±
±	<a href="#">Live or Still Birth</a>	Yes	n±
±	<a href="#">Birth Weight</a>	Yes	n4
±	<a href="#">Resuscitation Method</a>	Yes	n±
±	<a href="#">Birth Date (baby)</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
±	<a href="#">Birth Date (mother)</a>		ccyyymmdd
±	<a href="#">Birth Date Status (mother)</a>		n±
	2nd Baby, 3rd Baby, 4th Baby, 5th Baby and 6th Baby : Items as 1st Baby		
	<b>Waiting List Details</b>		
1	<a href="#">Waiting List Date</a>	Yes	ccyyymmdd
1	<a href="#">Waiting List Date Status</a>	Yes	n1
	<b>GP Practice Details</b>		
1	<a href="#">Code of Registered GP Practice</a>	Yes	an6
	<b>Time Details</b>		
1	<a href="#">Start Time (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>		hh:mm:ss
1	<a href="#">Discharge Time (Hospital Provider Spell)</a>		hh:mm:ss
1	<a href="#">Start Time (Consultant Episode)</a>		hh:mm:ss
1	<a href="#">End Time (Consultant Episode)</a>		hh:mm:ss

\* Where no data is present, the field must be populated with spaces due to the fixed field length format of the submitted file. However, if necessary 'General Medical Practitioner (Code of Registered GMP)' may still be included in the submitted file.

## Anaesthetic given during Labour/Delivery

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
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APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
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The type of anaesthetic/analgesic administered to the mother during labour/delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	General anaesthetic, the administration by a doctor of an agent intended to produce unconsciousness	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Epidural or caudal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the epidural space	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Spinal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the subarachnoid space	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	General anaesthetic and epidural or caudal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	General anaesthetic and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Epidural or caudal and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
7	Anaesthetic other than in 1 to 6, or analgesic only	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	No analgesic or anaesthetic administered	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	<i>Not Known, a validation error</i>	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2001

See [Anaesthetic, Terms \(A-Z\)](#)

## Anaesthetic given Post Labour/Delivery

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

The type of anaesthetic/analgesic administered to the mother after labour/delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	General anaesthetic, the administration by a doctor of an agent intended to produce unconsciousness	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Epidural or caudal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the epidural space	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	

3	Spinal anaesthetic, the injection of a local anaesthetic agent into the subarachnoid space	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	General anaesthetic and epidural or caudal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	General anaesthetic and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Epidural or caudal and spinal anaesthetic	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
7	Anaesthetic other than 1 to 6, or analgesic only	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	No analgesic or anaesthetic administered	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	Not known, a validation error	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	1 <sup>st</sup> March 2001

See [Anaesthetic, Terms \(A-Z\)](#)

## Birth Date (Baby)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		
MI ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	

Date of birth of baby. Note that **Date Status** is not associated with this date; the provider must record this date and should always be able to supply it. If the Date of Birth is unknown; use the date '11/11/1811' (that is 18111111)

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

Value	Meaning
18111111	Date of Birth Unknown

## Birth Date (Mother)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		

Date of birth of the mother in a delivery record.

For APC ds99, note that [Birth Date Status \(Mother\)](#) is associated with this data item and should be used to indicate whether Birth Date (mother) is supplied or not applicable.

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

## Birth Date Status (Mother)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		

This allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the mother's date of birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
9	<i>Date not known</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Birth Order

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		
MI ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	

The order of the birth where more than one birth resulted from pregnancy.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
N	Sequence number of birth (1-6)	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	Not applicable	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	Not known, a validation error	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Birth Weight (g)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		
MI ds	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2016	

The weight of the baby at birth, recorded in grams.

Format: 4 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NNNN	0001 - 6999 grams	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
7000	7000 grams or greater	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	30 <sup>th</sup> April 1998
9999	Not Known	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

See [Birth Weight, Terms \(A-Z\)](#)

## Delivery Date

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This records the date of delivery for each birth and corresponds to the birth date.

Note: that Date Status is not associated with this date; the provider must record this date and should always be able to supply it.

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

## Delivery Method

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		

This is the procedure by which a woman is delivered of a baby.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
0	Spontaneous vertex - Normal vaginal delivery, occipitoanterior.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
1	Spontaneous other cephalic - Cephalic vaginal delivery with abnormal presentation of head at delivery, without instruments, with or without manipulation.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Low forceps, not breech - e.g. forceps, low application, without manipulation. Includes forceps delivery not otherwise specified.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Other forceps, not breech - e.g. forceps delivery, with manipulation. Includes high forceps and mid forceps.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	Ventouse, vacuum extraction	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	Breech - spontaneous delivery assisted or unspecified. Includes partial breech extraction.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Breech extraction - not otherwise specified. Includes total breech extraction and version with breech extraction.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
7	Elective caesarean section - caesarean section before, or at onset of labour.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	Emergency caesarean section.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	Other than those specified above - e.g. application of weight to leg in breech delivery. Includes destructive operation to facilitate delivery and other surgical or instrumental delivery.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	

## Delivery Place Change Reason

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

If the place of delivery is different from the place originally intended, either in the type of place or geographically, the reasons for change should be classified as below:

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Decision made during pregnancy because of change of address	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Decision made during pregnancy for clinical reasons	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Decision made during pregnancy for other reasons	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	Decision made during labour for clinical reasons	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	Decision made during labour for other reasons	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Occurred unintentionally during labour	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	None of the above	21 <sup>st</sup> January 2002	
8	<i>Not Applicable (No Change)</i>	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002
9	<i>Not known</i>	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Delivery Place Type (Actual)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is used to classify the actual place of delivery. Recording both the planned and the actual place of delivery allows all changes of intent to be logged. Note that if a baby is delivered in a different hospital to the one originally specified, there would be no change in the Delivery Place Type, since the birth would still have taken place in an NHS hospital.

Format: 1 digit numeric

See [Delivery Place Type](#)

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## Delivery Place Type (Intended)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

Used to classify the delivery place type where the pregnant woman plans to have her baby. The first intended delivery place type is recorded, as designated by the caring professional in consultation with the client. The initial intended delivery facility may not be recorded since there may be no history of antenatal care, for example the pregnancy may not have been diagnosed or may have been concealed. In this case, 'None of the above' would be recorded.

Format: 1 digit numeric

See [Initial Intended Delivery Place Type](#)

See [Delivery Place Type](#)

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## First Antenatal Assessment Date

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the date on which a pregnant woman was first assessed by hospital staff and arrangements were made for antenatal care. This is not necessarily the occasion on which arrangements were made for delivery. [First Antenatal Assessment Date Status](#) is associated with this data item and should be used to indicate whether First Antenatal Assessment Date is supplied or is not applicable.

Format: 8 digit numeric, CCYYMMDD

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## First Antenatal Assessment Date Status

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This allows the recording of date supplied or date not applicable for the First Antenatal Assessment Date.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Date Supplied	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
8	Date not applicable	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
9	<i>Date not known</i>	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

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## General Medical Practitioner (Antenatal Care)

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the code of the GP responsible for the antenatal care of the patient.

Format: 8 character alpha-numeric

Value	Meaning
GNNNNNNN	A code issued by the Department of Health (DH) for practising GP's in Wales and England. The codes are available from the NHS Wales Informatics Service or via the Intranet service HOWIS.
G9999981	No registered GP

Note 1: MOD and prison doctors are not GMPs and should not be recorded as Registered GMPs. In this instance use the default code of G9999981' is to be used.

Note 2: When a locum refers, use the code of the GP for whom the locum is acting.

See [GP Code \(Antenatal Care\)](#)

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## Gestation Length



This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the W.H.O definition for length of gestation in completed weeks. Measured from the first day of the last menstrual period (LMP) where this is thought to be reliable. For the remainder a best estimate based on likely LMP and ultrasonic measurement is to be recommended. Gestational age is expressed in completed weeks, e.g. events occurring to 280 days to 286 days after the onset of the last menstrual period are considered to have occurred at 40 weeks gestation.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
NN	10 – 49 weeks	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
99	Not Known	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Labour/Delivery Onset Method

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		

This is the method by which the process of labour began or delivery by a caesarean section occurred. Only those methods that are used to induce labour, such as surgical induction, medical induction or a combination of the two, should be recorded. Methods that are used to accelerate labour should not be recorded.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Spontaneous; the onset of regular contractions whether or not preceded by spontaneous rupture of the membranes.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Any caesarean section carried out before the onset of labour; or a planned elective caesarean section carried out immediately following the onset of labour, when the decision was made before labour.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Surgical induction; by amniotomy	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	

4	Medical induction; including the administration of agents either orally, intravenously or intra vaginally with the intention of initiating labour.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	Combination of surgical induction and medical induction.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	<i>Not known</i>	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Live or Still Birth

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

An indicator of whether the birth was a live or a stillbirth (a birth on or after a gestation of 24 weeks (168 days), where the baby shows no identifiable signs of life at delivery) If born dead before 24 weeks, it would be a spontaneous abortion.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Live	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Still birth, ante-partum	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Still birth, intra-partum	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	Still birth, indeterminate.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	

See [BIRTH](#)

## Number of Babies

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
NCCHD		

(This data item was formerly known as 'Number of Registerable Births' with the new title and updated definition taking effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May 1998)

This is the number of births (live or still born) at a particular delivery.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	One	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Two	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Three	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	Four	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	Five	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Six or more	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	Not known: a validation error	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Pregnancy: Total Previous Pregnancies

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the number of previous pregnancies resulting in one or more births. Note: a live birth is always registered, no matter how short the gestation. Still Births and Abortions are registered only if they occur after a gestation of 24 weeks or more.

Format: 2 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
00	No previous pregnancy resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
01	One previous pregnancy resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
02	Two previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
03	Three previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
04	Four previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
05	Five previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
06	Six previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	

etc.		1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
19	Nineteen previous pregnancies resulting in a registered birth	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998	
99	Not Known	1 <sup>st</sup> May 1998 Reinstated 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2005	20 <sup>th</sup> February 2002

See [Number of Previous Pregnancies](#)

## Resuscitation Method

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the means by which regular respiration of the baby was attempted. This is not recorded for stillbirths.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Positive pressure nil, drugs nil	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	Positive pressure nil, drugs administered	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Positive pressure by mask, drugs nil.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
4	Positive pressure by mask, drugs administered	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
5	Positive pressure by endotracheal tube, drugs nil	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
6	Positive pressure by endotracheal tube, drugs administered.	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	Not applicable (e.g. stillborn where no method of resuscitation was attempted)	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	Not known	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	20 <sup>th</sup> January 2002

## Status of Person Conducting Delivery

This data item is / was included in the following data sets / collections between the dates shown:

Data Set / Collection	Valid From	Valid To
APC ds99	1 <sup>st</sup> April 1999	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2023

This is the status of the individual who delivers the baby. When delivery is carried out by a student, the individual supervising the delivery should be the one recorded as conducting it. This may be different for each birth in a multiple birth.

Format: 1 digit numeric

Value	Meaning	Valid From	Valid To
1	Hospital doctor	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
2	General Practitioner	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
3	Midwife	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
8	Other than above	Pre 28 <sup>th</sup> December 1995	
9	<i>Not known</i>	<i>Pre 28<sup>th</sup> December 1995</i>	<i>20<sup>th</sup> January 2002</i>