
Number of days in special / neonatal intensive care

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary: NHDD
Knowledgebase ID: 000009 Version number: 2
Metadata type: DATA ELEMENT
Registration Authority: NHIMG Admin status: SUPERSEDED
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Definition: Number of days spent by a neonate in a special care or neonatal intensive care nursery (in the hospital of birth).
Context: Admitted patient care and perinatal statistics:
An indicator of the requirements for hospital care of high-risk babies in specialised nurseries that add to costs because of extra staffing and facilities.

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype: Numeric
Representational form: QUANTITATIVE VALUE
Representation layout: NNN
Minimum Size: 1
Maximum Size: 3
Data Domain: NOVAL Number, representing the number of days spent in the special / intensive care nursery
Guide For Use: The number of days is calculated from the date the baby left the special/neonatal intensive care unit minus the date the baby was admitted to the special/neonatal intensive care unit.
Collection Methods: This item is to be completed if baby has been treated in an intensive care unit or a special care nursery (SCN).

SCN are staffed and equipped to provide a full range of neonatal services for the majority of complicated neonatal problems, including short-term assisted ventilation and intravenous therapy.

Neonatal intensive care nurseries (NICN) are staffed and equipped to treat critically ill newborn babies including those requiring prolonged assisted respiratory support, intravenous therapy, and alimentation and treatment of serious infections. Full supportive services are readily available throughout the hospital. These NICN also provide consultative services to other hospitals.

Related metadata: supersedes previous data element Admission to special / neonatal intensive care version 1

Administrative Attributes

Source Document:

Source Organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Comments: .

Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element

NHIM Service provision event

Data Agreements which include this Data Element
