

Registered health professional—principal area of practice, midwifery code NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Area of practice - midwifery
METEOR identifier:	382168
Registration status:	Health , Standard 10/12/2009
Definition:	The area of midwifery practice in which a midwife spent the most hours in their main job in the week prior to registration, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Registered health professional—principal area of practice
Value Domain:	Area of midwifery practice code NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	NN
Maximum character length:	2

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	01	Antenatal care
	02	Care during labour and birth
	03	Continuum of midwifery care
	04	Maternal and child health
	05	Midwifery education
	06	Midwifery management
	07	Midwifery research
	08	Neonatal care
	09	Postnatal care
	10	Other
Supplementary values:	99	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

The midwifery care during the woman's pregnancy, labour and birth and the postnatal period as well as the care of the well, normal baby is undertaken in partnership with the woman, consulting and referring to other health professionals as required. This care also includes preventative measures, the promotion of normal birth, the detection of complication in mother and child, accessing medical care or other appropriate assistance and the carrying out of emergency measures.

CODE 01 ANTENATAL CARE

Care, including counselling and education of the woman, and care of her unborn baby from the time the woman's pregnancy is diagnosed until the onset of labour.

CODE 02 CARE DURING LABOUR AND BIRTH

Care, including advocacy and support of the woman and her baby during all stages of labour and during the baby's birth.

CODE 03 CONTINUUM OF MIDWIFERY CARE

Care across the continuum of the woman's pregnancy, labour, the baby's birth and the post natal period.

CODE 04 MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Care of the mother and child following the postnatal period of 6 weeks focussing on parenting and the child's growth and development, up until at least the age of 5 years and in some cases beyond that age.

CODE 05 MIDWIFERY EDUCATION

The design, planning, implementation, delivery and evaluation of midwifery education and/or staff development programs and management of educational resources.

CODE 06 MIDWIFERY MANAGEMENT

The management of a health unit or sub-unit of a service, hospital or community health care facility providing midwifery services and care, supervising midwives and the financial resources to enable the provision safe, cost effective midwifery care within the service and monitors quality, clinical standards and the professional development of midwives.

CODE 07 MIDWIFERY RESEARCH

The design, planning, implementation and evaluation of midwifery research programs and projects and management of research resources.

CODE 08 NEONATAL CARE

Care and close observation of the normal well newborn baby ensuring the baby's continued well being, growth and development in the first 6 weeks of life.

CODE 09 POSTNATAL CARE

Care, including counselling and education of the woman and care of her baby from the baby's birth until the baby is 6 weeks old.

CODE 10 OTHER

All other areas of midwifery not covered above.

Registered health professionals on leave at the time of registration are asked to report their usual principle area of practice worked.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Health professional—area of clinical practice \(principal\), code ANN Health](#), Superseded 10/12/2009

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Main job of registered midwife cluster Health](#), Standard 10/12/2009
[Second job of registered midwife cluster Health](#), Standard 10/12/2009