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Birth event—intended setting of birth, code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Intended place of birth

METEOR identifier: 668857

Registration status: Health, Superseded 03/12/2020

Definition: The intended place of birth at the onset of labour, as represented by a code.

Context: Perinatal

Data Element Concept: Birth event—intended setting of birth

Value Domain: Birth setting code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Code

Data type: Number

Format: N

Maximum character length: 1

	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Hospital, excluding birth centre
	2	Birth centre, attached to hospital
	3	Birth centre, free standing
	4	Home
	8	Other
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 4 Home

Reserved for planned home births.

CODE 8 Other

Record for home births without a midwife or other medical professional in

attendance (free births) or a community health centre.

Comments: Women who plan to give birth in birth centres or at home usually have different risk

factors for outcome compared to those who plan to give birth in hospitals. Women who are transferred to hospital after the onset of labour have increased risks of

intervention and adverse outcomes.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Birth event—setting of birth (intended), code N

Health, Superseded 12/12/2018

Has been superseded by Birth event—intended setting of birth, code N

Health, Standard 03/12/2020

Tasmanian Health, Standard 09/11/2023

See also Birth event—actual setting of birth, code N

Health, Superseded 03/12/2020