

Birth event—birth presentation, code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Presentation at birth
METEOR identifier:	673120
Registration status:	Health , Superseded 12/12/2018
Definition:	The presenting part of the fetus at birth, as represented by a code.
Context:	Perinatal statistics: Presentation types other than vertex are associated with higher rates of caesarean section, instrumental delivery, perinatal mortality and neonatal morbidity.
Data Element Concept:	Birth event—birth presentation
Value Domain:	Birth presentation code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Vertex
	2	Breech
	3	Face
	4	Brow
	8	Other
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	National Perinatal Data Development Committee
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 8 Other Includes compound presentations (where an extremity prolapses simultaneously alongside the presenting part) and all other malpresentations, including for example, cord, shoulder or hand.
Collection methods:	In the case of multiple births, presentation should be recorded for each baby born.

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Birth event—birth presentation, code N Health](#), Superseded 02/08/2017

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Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Perinatal NMDS 2018-19](#)

[Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

DSS specific information:

In the case of multiple births, this item should be recorded for each baby born.