

Birth event—labour induction method, code N[N]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Labour induction method
Synonymous names:	Method of labour induction
METEOR identifier:	695355
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Health, Superseded 03/12/2020
Definition:	The method used to induce labour in a birth event, as represented by a code.
Context:	Perinatal
Data Element Concept:	Birth event—labour induction method

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code														
Data type:	Number														
Format:	N[N]														
Maximum character length:	2														
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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: CODE 6 Mechanical cervical dilatation
An example of this induction method is the use of a cervical ripening balloon catheter.

CODE 7 Antiprogestogen
Also known as antiprogesterone or antiprogestin.

Comments: Code 4 has been omitted as it is no longer in use. For information about its meaning in previous data elements, see superseded versions.

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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Data element attributes

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Guide for use: All methods of labour induction used should be recorded. Therefore, more than one permissible value may be recorded for this data element. Each method should be recorded once only.

Comments: The method of induction determines the progress and duration of labour and may influence the method of birth and the health status of the baby at birth.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: National Perinatal Data Development Committee

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Birth event—labour induction type, code N](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 12/12/2018

Has been superseded by [Birth event—labour induction method, code N\[N\]](#)

- [Health](#), Standard 03/12/2020

See also [Birth event—labour onset type, code N](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 03/12/2020

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Perinatal NMDS 2019–20 Health](#), Superseded 03/12/2020

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Conditional obligation:

The data element is only to be recorded if the response to the [Birth event—labour onset type, code N](#) data element is Code 2 (Induced).

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