Gestational age

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Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary:	NHDD	
Knowledgebase ID:	000060	Version number: 1
Metadata type:	DATA ELEMENT	
Registration Authority:	NHIMG	Admin status: SUPERSEDED
		Effective date: 01-MAR-05
Definition:	The estimated gestational age of the baby in completed weeks as determined by clinical assessment.	
Context:	Perinatal statistics: The first day of the last menstrual period (LMP) is required to estimate gestational age, which is a key outcome of pregnancy and an important risk factor for neonatal outcomes. Although the date of the LMP may not be known, or may sometimes be erroneous, estimation of gestational age based on clinical assessment may also be inaccurate. Both methods of assessing gestational age are required for analysis of outcomes.	

Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:	Numeric	
Representational form:	QUANTITATIVE VALUE	
Representation layout:	NN	
Minimum Size:	2	
Maximum Size:	2	
Data Domain:	99 NOVAL	Not stated/unknown Number representing the number of completed weeks
Guide For Use:	This is derived from clinical assessment when accurate information on the date of the LMP is not available for this pregnancy.	
	Gestational age is frequently a source of confusion when calculations are based on menstrual dates. For the purposes of calculation of gestational age from the date of the first day of th	

Iast normal menstrual period and the date of delivery, it should
be borne in mind that the first day is day zero and not day one.Related metadata: relates to the data element concept Gestational age version 1
is calculated using First day of the last menstrual period version 1Administrative Attributes
Source Document: International Classification of Diseases and Related Health
Problems, 10 Revision, WHO, 1992Source Organisation: National Perinatal Data Development CommitteeData Element Links
Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element
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