

## **Summary of changes to the VPDC manual for First Edition, Version 2.1 Release date 29 June 2010**

The following is a summary of changes made to the VPDC manual since the release of Version 2.0 on 12 August 2009.

### **Removal of data elements from Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- All data elements of Part III VPDC Data Element Definitions. These definitions are for DH use only.
- Events of Labour and Birth – Pre-coded on Birth report form. These events of labour and birth are collected under the data element Events of Labour and Birth-ICD-10-AM Code.
- Maternal Medical Conditions – Pre-coded on Birth Report Form. These maternal medical conditions are collected under the data element Maternal Medical Conditions-ICD-10-AM Code.
- Obstetric complications – Pre-coded on Birth Report Form. These obstetric complications are collected under the data element Obstetric complications-ICD-10-AM Code.
- Procedure – Pre-coded on Birth Report form. These procedure codes are collected under the data element Procedure - ACHI Code.
- Transfer Destination-Baby-Free Text. The transfer destination of the baby is identified by data element Transfer Destination-Baby-Code using a reference table of all valid destination codes; therefore the free text field is not required.

### **Amendments to data element name in Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- Method of Delivery has been renamed to Method of Birth in keeping with current clinical terminology.
- Breastfeeding Initiation has been renamed to Breastfeeding Attempted to align with wording on the Birth Report form
- Formula in Hospital has been renamed to Formula Given In Hospital to align with wording on the Birth Report form
- Last Feed Before Discharge has been renamed to Last Feed Taken Exclusively from the Breast to align with wording on the Birth Report form

### **Amendments to data element definitions in Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- The definition of Setting of Birth, Intended has been changed from 'The intended place of birth at the onset of labour' to 'The intended place of birth'.

### **Amendments to code sets in Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- For data elements where codes for 'unknown/inadequately described' or 'not applicable' are reportable, an optional alternative to the specified value has been provided. So, for example where the specified value is 9 Not stated/ inadequately described the optional alternative value is UNK. Software vendors have the choice of providing the specified value or the optional alternative but must be consistent in their choice.
- For data element Weight – Self Reported – Mother, code 888 *Unknown* has been removed.
- The code set for data element Setting of Birth, Intended has been amended to accommodate the introduction of the Public Homebirth pilot program on 1 January 2010. The amendments are necessary to identify mothers who intend to birth at home

under the pilot program from mothers who intend to birth at home with a private midwife. The code set effective 1 January 2010 is:

Code	Descriptor
NNNN	Hospital code
0002	Birth centre
0003	Home (other)
0006	Home – Private midwife care <a href="#">[new]</a>
0007	Home – Public homebirth program <a href="#">[new]</a>
0008	Other - specify
9999	Not stated / inadequately described

- The code set for data element Setting of Birth, Actual has been amended to accommodate the introduction of the Public Homebirth pilot program on 1 January 2010. The amendments are necessary to identify mothers who birth at home under the pilot program from mothers who birth at home with a private midwife. The code set effective 1 January 2010 is:

Code	Descriptor
NNNN	Hospital code
0002	Birth centre
0003	Home (other)
0005	In transit
0006	Home – Private midwife care <a href="#">[new]</a>
0007	Home – Public homebirth program <a href="#">[new]</a>
0008	Other - specify
9999	Not stated / inadequately described

- Code 3 No feed given has been deleted from the code set of Breastfeeding Attempted
- Code 3 No feed given has been deleted from the code set of Last Feed Taken Exclusively from the Breast

### **Amendments to code descriptors in Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- For data element Method of Birth, the descriptor of code 3 has been amended to 'Vaginal birth - non-instrumental' to clearly identify episodes where there has been no instrumental assistance.
- For data element Formula in Hospital, the code descriptor of code 3 has been amended to 'No feed given'.
- For data element Last Feed Before Discharge, the descriptor of code 3 has been amended to 'No feed given'.
- For data element Perineal/Genital Laceration – Degree/Type, the word 'tear' has been added to codes '1' to '7'.
- For data elements Setting of Birth, Actual and Setting of Birth, Intended the descriptor of code 0003 has been amended to 'Home (other)' to exclude homebirths with a private midwife and homebirths under the public homebirth program.
- For data element Time to Established Respiration the code descriptor of code 98 has been amended to 'Newborn does not take a breath is intubated and ventilated'.

### **Amendment to reporting guides in Section 3 *Data Definitions***

- For data element Last Feed Before Discharge, the definition of Discharge in the reporting guide has been clarified to mean the end of the birth episode. This encompasses the following:
  - Discharge to home
  - Death

- Transferred to another hospital
- Data element Anaesthesia for Operative Delivery – Indicator is only reported for birth episodes with an operative delivery.
- Data element Analgesia for Labour – Indicator is only reported for birth episodes with a labour.
- Data element First Given Name – Paediatrician is left blank when the baby is not referred to a paediatrician
- Data element Surname/Family Name – Paediatrician is left blank when the baby is not referred to a paediatrician
- Data element Fetal Monitoring in Labour – Addition to reporting guide that Code 07 Fetal blood sampling Includes scalp lactate
- Data element Labour Induction / Augmentation Agent – Inclusion of a table in the reporting guide to outline the appropriate labour Induction / augmentation agent for the different labour types
- Data element Labour type – Note added to reporting guide under Spontaneous regarding use of prostaglandins.
- Data element Separation Date – Baby – the sentence 'In the case of planned homebirths, occurring at home, the Date of Birth – Baby is entered as the Separation Date – Baby' is amended to 'In the case of planned homebirths, occurring at home, separation date is the date that the baby's immediate post birth care is completed and the midwife leaves the place of birth. Please note that this date may be different to the baby's date of birth, for example if the birth occurs shortly before midnight.'
- Data element Separation Date – Mother – following sentence added 'In the case of planned homebirths, occurring at home, the separation date is the date that the mother's immediate post birth care is completed and the midwife leaves the place of birth. Please note that this date may be different to the baby's date of birth, for example if the birth occurs shortly before midnight.'

### **Amendments to Section 5 *Compilation and submission***

- Conditional data items have been identified in the Episode Records File Structure
- Removal of responsibilities of the agency and responsibilities of the Clinical Councils' Unit (moved to Section 1 Introduction).
- Submission of data timelines added
- The following items in the Episode Records File Structure have been changed from M Mandatory to C27 Report when Birth Status is 1 *Liveborn*:
  - Admission to SCN/NICU – Baby
  - Breastfeeding Attempted
  - Formula Given in Hospital
  - Hepatitis B Vaccine Received
  - Last Feed Taken Exclusively from the Breast