

REVISIONS FOR 2012

New Data Items: The following new data items apply to infants born in 2012 and later; they do not apply to infants born prior to 2012.

Item 6b, 28 Day Form: Race of Mother

This item has been replaced with a new Race of Mother item with updated categories.

Item 9, 28 Day Form: Antenatal Magnesium Sulfate

Item 30, Discharge Form: Probiotics

Item 31, Discharge Form: Treatment of ROP with Anti-VEGF (vascular endothelial growth factor) Drug

Modified Data Items: The following data items have been revised for infants born in 2012. The revisions do not apply to infants born prior to 2012.

Item S1.C.2, Supplemental Form: Cooling Method

An additional response for “Both” Selective Head and Whole Body Cooling has been added.

Discontinued Data Items:

Item 6b, 28 Day Form: Race of Mother that was collected for infants born in 2011 and prior years is discontinued for infants born in 2012 and is replaced by a new Item, as discussed above.

Definition Clarifications: The following definitions are clarified in the 2012 manual.

Database Eligibility, The definition of live born was updated to use the standard terminology recommendation of The Committee on Fetus and Newborn of the American Academy of Pediatrics. The definition now reads:

A live born infant is one who breathes or has any evidence of life, such as beating of the heart, pulsation of the umbilical cord, or definite movement of voluntary muscle, regardless of whether the umbilical cord has been cut or the placenta is attached. Heartbeats are to be distinguished from transient cardiac contractions; respirations are to be distinguished from fleeting respiratory efforts or gasps.

Item 23b, 28 Day Form: Nasal CPAP before ETT Ventilation

An additional instruction to answer “Yes” if the infant was given CPAP applied through the nose at any time prior to having received intermittent positive pressure breaths through an endotracheal tube was added.