# Perinatal Data Collection – Variable checklist

The variables listed below are available subject to data custodian and ethical approval. Please indicate the variables requested and provide justification for their inclusion in your study.

|  | **Variable** | **Years Available** | **Justification** |
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| Mother’s date of birth (select one) | | |  |
|  | Year  Year and month  Date | All |  |
|  | Mother’s age | All |  |
|  | Mother’s country of birth | All |  |
|  | Mother’s Aboriginality\*\* | 1994 onwards |  |
|  | Mother’s Indigenous status\*\* | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Mother’s marital status | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Hospital of birth | All |  |
|  | Health Area of hospital | Until 2011 |  |
|  | Local Health District of hospital | All |  |
|  | Mother’s postcode | All |  |
|  | Mother’s SLA of residence | All |  |
|  | Health Area of residence | Until 2011 |  |
|  | Local Health District of residence | All |  |
|  | Hospital Insurance status | 1994-1997 |  |
| Baby’s date of birth | | |  |
|  | Year  Year and month  Year, month and day of week  Date | All |  |
| Date of LMP | | |  |
|  | Year | 1994-2006 |  |
|  | Year and month |  |
|  | Date |  |
| EDC | | |  |
|  | Year | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Year and month |  |
|  | Date |  |
|  | Previous pregnancy >20 weeks gestation? | All |  |
|  | Number of previous pregnancies | All |  |
|  | Was last birth by caesarean section? | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Total number of previous caesarean section | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Amniocentesis (<20 weeks) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | CVS (<20 weeks) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Cervical suture | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Antenatal care | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Duration of pregnancy (weeks) at first antenatal visit | All# |  |
|  | Number of antenatal care visits | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Not booked | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Smoking during pregnancy | 1994-2010 |  |
|  | Smoking during 1st half of pregnancy | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Cigarettes per day during the 1st half pregnancy | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Number of cigarettes smoked per day during the 1st half of pregnancy | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Smoking during the 2nd half of pregnancy | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Cigarettes per day 2nd half pregnancy | All# |  |
|  | Number of cigarettes smoked per day during the 2nd half of pregnancy | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Maternal diabetes mellitus | All |  |
|  | Gestational diabetes | All |  |
|  | Chronic hypertension | All |  |
|  | Pregnancy-induced hypertension | 1994-2006 |  |
|  | Pregnancy-induced hypertension - proteinuric | 2006-2010 |  |
|  | Pregnancy-induced hypertension – non-proteinuric | 2006-2010 |  |
|  | Pre-eclampsia | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Gestational hypertension | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | APH (cause unknown) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | APH (due to placenta abruptio) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | APH (due to placenta praevia) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Blood group iso-immunisation | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Prelabour rupture of membranes (>24 hours) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Threatened premature labor | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Maternal Hepatitis B | 1994-1997, 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Major puerperal infection | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Third degree tear | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Shoulder dystocia | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Retained placenta | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Post-partum haemorrhage (>600mls) | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Post-partum haemorrhage requiring blood transfusion | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Labour onset | All |  |
|  | Induction and augmentation of labour | All |  |
|  | Main indication for induction/augmentation of labour | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Pain relief: None | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Nitrous oxide | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: IM narcotics | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Local to perineum | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Pudendal block | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Epidural/caudal block | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Spinal anaesthetic | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: General anaesthetic | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Pain relief: Other | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Nil | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Nitrous oxide | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Systemic opioids | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Spinal | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Epidural/caudal | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Combined spinal-epidural | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Analgesia for labour: Other | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Nil | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Local to perineum | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Pudendal | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Spinal | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Epidural/caudal | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Combined spinal-epidural | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: General anaesthetic | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Anaesthesia for delivery: Other | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Epidural anaesthetic | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Presentation | All# |  |
|  | Type of delivery | All# |  |
|  | Main indication for caesarean section | 1998 onwards# |  |
|  | Perineal status | 1998 onwards# |  |
|  | Episiotomy | All |  |
|  | Surgical repair of vagina or perineum | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Third stage | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: Private obstetrician | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: Hospital-based medical | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: General practitioner | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: Hospital-based midwife/midwives | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: Independent midwife | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-antenatal: Not applicable | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: Private obstetrician | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: Hospital-based medical | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: General practitioner | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: Hospital-based midwife/midwives | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: Independent midwife | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Model of care-birth: Not applicable | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Midwifery continuity of carer program | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Mother referred | All |  |
|  | Mother referral hospital | All |  |
|  | Referral prior | All |  |
|  | Referral post | All |  |
|  | Baby’s sex | All |  |
|  | Baby’s Aboriginality\*\* | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Baby’s Indigenous status\*\* | 2011 onwards |  |
|  | Plurality of birth | All |  |
|  | Birth order | All |  |
|  | Gestational age | All |  |
|  | Birth weight | All |  |
|  | APGAR score (1 min) | All |  |
|  | APGAR score (5 min) | All |  |
|  | Admission to Special Care Nursery or Neonatal Intensive Care for 4 hours or more | 1994-1997 |  |
|  | Admitted to special care nursery | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Admitted to neonatal intensive care unit | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Admission to Special Care Nursery or Neonatal Intensive Care | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Was a birth defect the main reason for admission to SCN/NICU? | 1998 onwards |  |
|  | Resuscitation of baby | 1998 onwards# |  |
|  | Admitted to special care nursery for observation only | 1998-2006 |  |
|  | Vitamin K | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Hepatitis B birth dose | 2006 onwards |  |
|  | Baby’s date of discharge or transfer | 1994 onwards |  |
|  | Baby’s discharge status | All |  |
| Baby’s date of death | | |  |
|  | Year  Year and month  Year, month and day of week  Date | All |  |
|  | Hospital of baby transfer | All |  |
|  | Perinatal death type | All |  |
|  | Baby’s place of birth | All |  |
|  | Mother’s discharge status | All |  |
|  | Hospital of mother transfer | All |  |
|  | Hospital maternity service level | All |  |
|  | Confinement based on first baby | All |  |

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# See Data Dictionary for changes in codes over time

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| **Other/comments** |
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