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Subject: Re: Merging data from woman (individual) with verbal autopsy

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The data on the verbal autopsy are collected based on the identification of deaths in the household in the few (five?) years preceding the survey. However with the cluster number, household number and line number of the mother it should be possible to identify the children. Most women will have no more than one child who died in the time period. You also have the age at death in qh305 and the sex in qh306 that you may be able to match to q323 and q315 in the women's data. For those with two or more children who died you may be able to use other information to identify the matching child. It is probably not going to be perfect, but you should be able to get a match in the vast majority of matching cases (I haven't tried this, but it looks possible).

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