Subject: Re: suggested revisions/ additions: Posted by cstanton on Mon, 31 Mar 2014 16:09:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

RE: the suggestion to add a question on prophylactic uterotonics immediately following delivery - please see my comment under Postpartum Hemorrhage

RE: the suggestion to add a question on labor augmentation, I agree that we are in serious need of this information and I wish that I could recommend such questions for inclusion into the DHS and MICS. However, again, based on our validation study in Mozambique (PLoS One), such questions were not recommended based on their performance. I do think it would be worthwhile for someone to develop a module to detect home-based use of oxytocin during labor for use in South Asian surveys. There are published papers going back to the 1980s showing how common such use is and women's complete willingness to discuss it. Technically validating this information would be difficult, but something should be done as it is a potentially very dangerous practice and is extremely common.

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