
Subject: Re: Further Quest: Days of Neonatal Death Not Matching to DHS Further Analysis Report

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Dear Tom Pullum, Greetings!

Thanks for your reply.

Putting it simply, " I have used b6 for defining the days of neonatal death selecting the b6 category code 100 till 128" This corresponds to the definition of WHO for the neonatal time period that is 0-28 days. Is this statement correct?

I am asking this because initially in my protocol I define the neonatal time period as 0-30 days (DHS definition), however, after performing analysis I realized that actually selecting the b6 time range for neonatal age (100-128) differs from my definition for the neonatal age and I have to correct my protocol as well as my writeup to avoid misreporting.

Conclusion: Taking time range of b6 from 100-128 corresponds to neonatal age 0-28 days. (Is my understanding correct?)

Also; I noticed in your reply that you mentioned b6=129 & b6=130, However, these two categories code for b6 is not available in Pakistan DHS BR file 2017-18. kindly check it.

Best Regards

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