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Subject: Menopause definition

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Hello DHS forum,

the definition below is for menopause women. Does anyone know why the DHS uses 6 instead of the standard 12 months?

Thanks

Numerator:

Number of women whose last menstruation occurred six or more months before the survey (v226 in 6:399) or before the last birth (v226 = 995):

- 1) who have had a hysterectomy (v226 = survey specific code)
- 2) who declare that they are menopausal (v226 = 994)
- 3) who never menstruated (v226 = 996).

Excludes women who are currently pregnant or have postpartum amenorrhea (v213 = 1 or v405 = 1).

Denominator: All women age 30-49

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