Subject: Contraceptive calendar - programme to decode vcal_1 and vcal_2?
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Hello,

We are trying to work with the contraceptive calendar, and were wondering whether any forum members/DHS staff have any knowledge of programmes developed to decode vcal_1 and vcal_2 string variables into a more useful format? (e.g. into a long dataset where each record is one woman-month, with contraceptive use, pregnancy status and reason for discontinuation in separate variables)

Trevor-DHS, you mentioned you were working on a tutorial for using contraceptive calendar data back in June, could you please let us know if this is now available?
(http://userforum.dhsprogram.com/index.php?t=tree&goto=66 80&S=2a3641172fbda4f95622f6b020b341d1&srch=contracep tive+calendar#msg_6680)
Would the DHS consider developing a programme to make the contraceptive calendar more user-friendly (similar to the unmet need Stata do-files)?

Many thanks,
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