Subject: Malaria Treatment Variable Posted by cbdolan on Thu, 26 Jan 2017 21:03:59 GMT

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Hello,

I have accessed the Malawi 2012 MIS (Individual Recode) and want to create an outcome variable that includes treatment for child fever in the last two weeks.

Before constructing the variable I want to make sure I understand the coding within the dataset.

In the individual recode there are 6 variables (s404a_1-6) corresponding to days ago fever started, then 6 treatment variables (s406a1-6). Am I correct that this is one women and up to 6 kids which treatment information is collected? For example s404a_1 is the number of days the fever started and then s406a1 is that same kid and the number of days after the fever began treatment was sought. Following that pattern s404a_2 goes with s406a2...s404a3 goes with s406a3...

Is there a better way to construct malaria treatment behavior or am I on the right track?

Thanks,

Carrie

Subject: Re: Malaria Treatment Variable Posted by cbdolan on Mon, 30 Jan 2017 15:19:59 GMT

Hello,

I found post #8930 and now understand that the MIS is constructed in similar recode files to the standard DHS (ie. IR, PR, KR...). I also now understand the merge is similar and have correctly merged the 2013 PR and KR using the following code:

use Z:\Data\DataIn_Original\2_DHS_MIS\MWKR6HDT_MIS\MWKR6HFL.dta, clear gen hv001=v001 gen hv002=v002 gen hvidx=b16 sort hv001 hv002 hvidx save Z:\Data\DataIn Original\0 Scratch\temp.dta, replace

use Z:\Data\DataIn_Original\2_DHS_MIS\MWPR6HDT_MIS\MWPR6HFL.dta, clear sort hv001 hv002 hvidx merge hv001 hv002 hvidx using Z:\Data\DataIn_Original\0_Scratch\temp.dta tab _merge keep if _merge==3 drop _merge

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No response to this post is necessary.

Thanks!