Subject: Antenatal care and current pregnancy
Posted by advag on Tue, 28 Nov 2017 02:12:26 GMT
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Hello,

I am interested in examining the impacts of disparities in antenatal care on various maternal and neonatal health outcomes using the DRC DHS 2013-4. I am confused about whether antenatal care questions (such as supplementation taken during pregnancy, as in M49A-G and M60) which are asked of currently pregnant women (those answering "yes" to V213) apply to the respondent's current pregnancy or to the most recent live birth of the respondent in the past 5 years. In other words, I'm unclear on whether currently pregnant women answering ANC questions are speaking about their current antenatal care or that received during their most recent past pregnancy resulting in birth.

By that same token, is the child filed under index MIDX_1 for currently pregnant women their current fetus, or their most recently born child?

Many thanks for your help in clarifying!

Subject: Re: Antenatal care and current pregnancy
Posted by Liz-DHS on Wed, 29 Nov 2017 16:21:27 GMT
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A response from the Survey Manager, Dr. Rathavuth Hong:
Quote:
Antenatal care questions are asked of the last birth in the 5 years preceding the survey. The women who had at least one live birth in past 5 years may also be pregnant at the of interview. But not of pregnancy that antenatal care questions are asked of.

The child with index MIDX_1 is the most recently born child, not pregnancy.