

Neonatal Mortality Rate

Neonatal Quality Indicators #2

Technical Specifications

Provider-Level Indicator

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Numerator

Number of deaths (DISP=20) among cases meeting the inclusion and exclusion rules for the denominator.

Denominator

All newborn and outborn discharges.

Exclude cases:

- with any diagnosis of anencephaly, polycystic kidney, trisomy 13, or trisomy 18
- with birth weight less than 500 grams (Birth Weight Category 1)
- with missing discharge disposition (DISP=missing), gender (SEX=missing), age (AGE=missing), quarter (DQTR=missing), year (YEAR=missing), or principal diagnosis (DX1=missing)

See *Pediatric Quality Indicators Appendices*:

- Appendix I – Definitions of Neonate, Newborn, Normal Newborn, and Outborn
- Appendix L – Low Birth Weight Categories

ICD-9-CM Anencephaly, polycystic kidney, trisomy 13, and trisomy 18 diagnosis codes:

7400	ANENCEPHALUS	75313	POLYCYST KID-AUTOSOM DOM
7401	CRANIORACHISCHISIS	7581	PATAU'S SYNDROME
7402	INIENCEPHALY	7582	EDWARDS' SYNDROME