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Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index Kansas, 2003



Research Summary

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Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index

The Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) annually publishes an Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization (APNCU) Index, utilizing information readily available on the Kansas birth certificate (number of prenatal care visits, month prenatal care began, and gestational length of pregnancy). The APNCU Index combines information on the adequacy of initiation of prenatal care and the adequacy of received services to characterize adequacy of pregnancy-related health services provided to an expectant mother between conception and delivery. Prenatal care has long been endorsed as a major means to identify and reduce the risks of bearing infants who are low birth weight, are stillborn, or die within the first year of life. Therefore, the APNCU categorizes care as inadequate, intermediate, adequate or adequate plus in an attempt to measure progress toward reducing such risks. The index does not assess quality of the prenatal care that is delivered, only its utilization.

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