

Pregnancy: 10-week booking appointment

NICE indicator

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Indicator

Proportion of pregnant women accessing antenatal care who are seen for booking by 10 weeks and 0 days.

Indicator type

Network / system level indicator.

The indicator would be appropriate to understand and report on the performance of networks or systems of providers.

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Rationale

Pregnant women accessing antenatal care should be seen early in their pregnancy in order to determine if there is a need for additional care. It also provides the opportunity to provide information about pregnancy, including information to support informed decision making about screening tests. Accessing antenatal care early can help to improve women's experience of pregnancy and birth.

Source guidance

Antenatal care. NICE guideline NG201 (2021), recommendation 1.1.4

Specification

Numerator: the number in the denominator carried out at gestation age of 10 weeks or below.

Denominator: Number of booking appointments carried out within the reporting period.

Calculation: Numerator divided by the denominator, multiplied by 100.

Exclusions: None.

Data source: NHS Digital's maternity services dataset (MSDS).

Minimum population: The indicator would be appropriate to understand and report on the performance of networks or systems of providers.

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