Glossary

This glossary provides definitions of all maternal and infant predictors and outcomes available in the Florida Outcomes Interface.

**Adequate Prenatal Care:** Inadequate if prenatal care begins at fifth month of pregnancy or later, or the pregnant woman receives less than 50% of the recommended number of prenatal care visits, adjusted for delivered infant’s gestational age.

**Age of Mom:** Birth date recorded on birth certificate at time of delivery. Categorized into three levels: less than 20, 20-34, and greater than 34.

**Body Mass Index (BMI):** Calculated from a woman’s height and weight prior to pregnancy. Categorized into three levels: <25 (Underweight and Normal), 25-30 (Overweight), and >30 (Obese).

**Drinking:** Self report by mother of consumption of alcohol during pregnancy.

**Infant Mortality Rate:** The number of infants per 1,000 live births who die within the first year after birth. This infant mortality rate (IMR) is different from that reported by the Florida Department of Health. IMR in this report refers to a death occurring within one calendar year to any child born within a calendar year. This method provides an estimate of mortality risk for a given birth cohort. The Department of Health’s IMR refers to all deaths occurring in a given calendar year to children under one year of age regardless of the year the child was born.

**Low Birth Weight:** An infant who weighs less than 2500 grams (5 lbs. 8 oz.) at birth.

**Medicaid:** Florida resident females who were enrolled in Medicaid for at least one day during their pregnancy.

**Mother’s Education:** the number of years of schooling completed by mother. Categorized as less than 12 years (<HS), High School diploma (HS), and post secondary education (>HS)
**Mother’s Race:** Self identified on birth certificate. Categorized as Black, White, or Other. Hispanics, Asians, Native American and persons designing their race as Mixed are grouped in Other category.

**Marital Status:** Recorded on the birth certificate, mother said she was married or not married.

**Plurality:** Indicates whether the delivery was a singleton or a multiple birth.

**Prenatal Screen Score:** A questionnaire used by Healthy Start that identifies physical, socioeconomic, or maternal psychosocial factors, which potentially may cause future health problems, impair development, and are associated with infant mortality. Infants who are screened at high risk are referred to early intervention programs and services.

**Pregnancy Interval:** The number of months between termination of a previous pregnancy (live born or fetal death, stillborn, spontaneous or elective abortion) and estimated date of next conception.

**Previous Pregnancy Experience:** The number of previous live births as recorded on the birth certificate. “Fail” refers to miscarriage or elected termination.

**Sex:** At time of birth, infant recorded as female or male.

**Smoking During Pregnancy:** Women who report using tobacco or smoking one or more cigarettes per day during pregnancy.

**Very Low Birth Weight:** An infant who weighs less than 1500 grams (3 lbs. 5 oz.) at birth.

**WIC Participation:** Low-income pregnant women who participate in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). WIC provides foods to supplement diets, nutrition education, and referrals to health care and social services.