

Finger Lakes Regional Perinatal Data System

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09/09/2009 Coders Meeting Summary

Nine of the twelve hospitals in the region were represented at this months meeting. (Highland, Lakeside, Noyes, Unity, Schuyler and SMH) Via conference call (Newark Wayne, Arnot Ogden and Thompson)

I. Introduction:

We want to thank everyone for attending this meeting.

II. Statewide Perinatal Data System Update:

There has not been any down time with the SPDS.

III. Coder Fax:

We reviewed the May coder fax and the areas of concern were the coding of "How is Infant Being Fed at Discharge" and "Is Infant Alive". When an infant is transferred to another hospital the question "How is Infant Being Fed at Discharge" should be Status Unknown. "Is the Infant Alive" 38% coded Status Unknown but you should call the hospital you sent the infant too to check the status.

We also reviewed the June coder fax and the areas of concern were the coding of Twin B "Previous Live Births" 67% you need to count the first delivery as a previous pregnancy, "Other Serious Chronic Illnesses" If the mother can not survivor without medicine then code as other serious chronic illnesses. "Date of Last Live Birth" 47%, the date of the last live birth should be the birth date of Twin A. "Congenital Anomalies" All anomalies are diagnosed by Ultrasound except Hypospadias.

IV. Data Issues

Induction vs. Augmentation – again Chris Glantz MD reviewed the difference between induction and augmentation.

V. Meeting Closure:

Our next meeting is **November 11, 2009** Rochester, NY Corporate Woods 120 Corporate Woods.

If you have any topics you would like presented or discussed please let us know.

