

Maternal and Child Health Thesaurus

New and Changed Keywords Since Third Edition

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These changes are currently in use in MCH Library databases and will be incorporated into any next edition of the Maternal and Child Health Thesaurus. All terms listed are new unless otherwise indicated.

A

- Autistic children (DELETE) USE Children with special health care needs; Autism
- Autobiographies

B

- Beverages
- Biographies
- Bioterrorism
- Body piercing

C

- Children's Health Insurance Program
(Acronym CHIP; Note: name changed from State Children's Health Insurance Program in February 2009—use the form of the name that is current at the date of the publication)
- Community health aides (DELETE) use following term
- Community health workers
- Compliance (DELETE); replace with Patient compliance; Guideline adherence;

D

- Death scene investigation
- Dental hygiene CHANGE scope: Refers to the profession
RT Oral hygiene (refers to personal oral care) (new scope note)
- Domestic violence UF Intimate partner violence (new reference)
note: MeSH still uses Domestic violence; National Criminal Justice Reference Service uses Domestic/Intimate Partner Violence.
- DVDs

E

- Emergency preparedness SEE Disaster planning (new reference to existing term)

F

- Family planning information centers (DELETE) USE Family planning; Resource centers
- Folklore
- Food assistance SEE Supplemental food programs (new reference)
- Funerals

G

- Gene therapy CHANGE TO Genetic therapy
- Guideline adherence
(replaces Compliance when referring to complying with program design, regulations, or guidelines)

H

- Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
- Health care disparities
(Scope: Refers to disparities in access to / utilization of care)
- Health status disparities
(Scope: Refers to disparities of the health of individuals / groups)
- Healthy People 2020
- Home economics USE Family economics
- Home visits CHANGE TO Home visiting

I

- Infant death review committees CHANGE TO Infant death review
- Information literacy
(Scope: The ability to recognize when information is needed and to locate, evaluate, and use the needed information effectively.)
- Intimate partner violence SEE Domestic violence (new reference)

J

K

L

- Life course
- Linguistic competence

M

- Mercury
(Scope: Refers to the substance)
- Microbiology
- Mobile applications (BT Software)
- Mouth injuries USE Facial injuries
- Multimedia
(Scope: An electronically delivered combination of media including video, still images, audio, and text in a way that can be accessed interactively. Technologies include computers, digital video recorders, interactive television, and others. Information often presented in multimedia formats includes online training courses; online toolkits with files in various audio, visual, and text formats; Webinars.)

N

- Natural resources (NT Water)

O

- Oral hygiene
(*Scope: Refers to personal oral care; RT: Dental hygiene (Scope: Refers to the profession)*)

P

- Patient compliance
(*replaces Compliance when referring to patients*)
- Performance measurement (not a term) CHANGE TO:
Performance measurement (employees) USE Employee performance appraisal
Performance measurement (programs) USE Program evaluation
- Physical medicine DELETE
Mesh uses Physical and rehabilitation medicine; we and they also have Rehabilitation
- Population surveillance ADD NT Public health surveillance (new term)
(*MeSH made this change in 2013*)
Scope: Ongoing scrutiny of a population (general population, study population, target population, etc.), generally using methods distinguished by their practicability, uniformity, and frequently their rapidity, rather than by complete accuracy.
- Public health surveillance
Scope: The ongoing, systematic collection, analysis, and interpretation of health-related data with the purpose of preventing or controlling disease or injury, or of identifying unusual events of public health importance, followed by the dissemination and use of information for public health action.

Q

R

S

- Safe sleep USE Sleep; Safety;
- Seizure disorders USE Epilepsy
- SIDS USE Sudden infant death (new reference)
- State Children's Health Insurance Program
(*Note: name changed to Children's Health Insurance Program in Feb. 2009—use the form of the name that is current at the date of the publication*)
- Social media
- Social Security Act, Title XXI
- Software ADD NT Mobile applications
- Sudden death
(*Use for ages other than infant; also use population term, e.g., Children; Adolescents*)
- Sudden infant death UF SIDS
- Sustainability

T

- Tobacco use cessation products (UF Electronic cigarettes)

U

V

W

- Water (add BT Natural resources)

X

Y

Z