Data Element/Indicator naming



- Good naming practises help with identifying different data elements and indicators that potentially have the same words in them
- Data elements do not have the term 'number of' of use the # to indicate they are DE. They need to be written cleanly
- Appropriate naming helps with sorting in analytics which is why data is collected
- Indicators should NOT start with 'Percentage of' makes sorting difficult

Data element naming



Bad practise

CEmONC-Number Performed Deliveries with vacuum extraction
CEmONC-Number performed neonatal resuscitation with bag and mask
CEmONC-Number administered parenteral anticonvulsants

Better

CEMONC Delivery vacuum extraction
CEMONC Neonatal resuscitation bag and mask
CEMONC Parenteral anticonvulsants given

Good example

Deworming dose 12-59 months
Vitamin A dose 12-59 months
Delivery normal
Delivery vacuum extraction
Delivery Ceaserean Section

Indicator naming



Poor naming

- 1. % of new diarrhoea cases under 5 years given ORS and Zinc supplementation
- 2. % of pregnant women receiving HIV testing during ANC
- 3. % stillbirths
- 4. % of under 5 pneumonia given antibiotic
- 5. % of women aged 15-49 using modern contraceptives

Better naming

- Diarrhoea < 5 yrs treated with ORS/Zinc treatment rate
- 2. Antenatal client tested for HIV rate
- 1. Stillbirth rate
- 2. Pneumonia < 5 yrs treated with antibiotic rate
- 3. Women Year Protection Rate