PREGNANCY & INFANCY QUESTIONNAIRES Summary

Purpose

The Pregnancy and Infancy Questionnaires are mailed to families at the time of enrollment. There are two types of forms: The NEC-Individual form is sent if the enrolled child is less than 15 months old, and the SOC-Individual form is sent if the enrolled child is more than 15 months old. Both of the forms gather information on the mother's illnesses, alcohol consumption, tobacco use, and diet, during pregnancy as well as information on the child's illnesses during the first week of life. Additional information is collected on the SOC-Individual form about breast-feeding, infant diet, allergies, illnesses, day care, stressful events and immunizations. For children younger than 15 months at the time of enrollment, this same type of information is collected during the 3-15 interviews (see section***).

Procedures

A. Form Tracking

At the time of enrollment a record is entered into tblFormTrack indicating which type of Pregnancy & Infancy questionnaire was mailed and when it was mailed. When forms are returned in the mail or to the clinic the date of return is entered into the database. A list of overdue forms can be generated for follow-up

B. Form Editing

When the Pregnancy & Infancy questionnaires are returned they are checked for completeness. If essential data are missing the family is contacted by telephone.

C. Form Data Entry

Once the questionnaires have been edited and completed they are entered into the Questionnaire database. Forms that have been entered are filed in the subject's chart.