

Appendix G: Variables Coded

Variables Coded for Patient Intake

- Unique Identifiers
- Intake Date
- Demographic Characteristics
 - Gender
 - Age
 - City of Residence
 - Race-Ethnicity
 - Height and Weight
- Prior Treatment History
- HIV Exposure Category
- Health and Behavioral Issues Noted at Intake
- Baseline Health Status Indicators
 - Earliest Viral Load and CD4 Count
 - Peak Viral Load and Nadir CD4 Count prior to the study period
 - HIV Infection Level at Intake
 - History of Opportunistic Infections
- Medications Prescribed/Continuing at Intake
 - Types of Antiretroviral Medication
 - Selected Other HIV Medications
 - New, Continuing, or Discontinued

Variables Coded for Each Study Quarter

- Unique Identifiers
- Quarter Coded
- Service Utilization in the Quarter
 - Dates of MD Visits
 - Dates of Other HIV Services (Labs, X-Ray, Adherence Visits, etc.)
 - Dates of Referral to Specialist
 - Undetermined Service Dates
 - No Shows
 - ER Visits
 - Inpatient Hospital Days
 - Other Services During the Quarter
- Health and Behavioral Issues Noted for the Quarter
- Health Status Indicators for the Quarter
 - AIDS Diagnosis Noted During the Quarter
 - Viral Load and CD4 Counts During the Quarter
 - Opportunistic Infections Noted During the Quarter
 - Weight
- Medications Prescribed/Continuing During the Quarter
 - Types of Antiretroviral Medication
 - Selected Other HIV Medications
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