

Web Annex 3. Other WHO guidelines with recommendations relevant to routine postnatal care

| WHO guideline title | Year of publication | WHO department responsible | Approach |
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| Acceptable medical reasons for use of breast-milk substitutes | 2009 | Department of Child and Adolescent Health and Development; Department of Nutrition for Health and Development (NHD) | Referenced |
| Haemoglobin concentrations for the diagnosis of anaemia and assessment of severity | 2011 | NHD | Referenced |
| Intermittent iron and folic acid supplementation in menstruating women | 2011 | NHD | Referenced |
| Optimal feeding of low-birth-weight infants in low- and middle-income countries | 2011 | Department of Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health (MCA) | Referenced |
| Vitamin A supplementation in postpartum women | 2011 | NHD | Recommendation relevant to PNC was integrated into the PNC guideline |
| Optimizing health worker roles to improve access to key maternal and newborn health interventions through task shifting | 2012 | Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR); MCA | Recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| Recommendations for management of common childhood conditions: evidence for technical update of pocket book recommendations | 2012 | MCA; Department of Essential Medicines and Pharmaceutical Policies | Referenced |
| WHO recommendations for the prevention and treatment of postpartum haemorrhage | 2012 | RHR; MCA | Referenced |

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| WHO recommendations on postnatal care of the mother and newborn | 2014 | RHR; MCA | New and updated recommendations in the PNC guideline supersede the recommendations in the 2014 guideline; recommendations were adapted for and/or integrated into the new PNC guideline |
| Ensuring human rights in the provision of contraceptive information and services: guidance and recommendations | 2014 | RHR | Referenced, and recommendation relevant to PNC was adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| WHO recommendations for augmentation of labour | 2014 | RHR | Referenced |
| Integrated management of pregnancy and childbirth: pregnancy, childbirth, postpartum and newborn care: a guide for essential practice, third edition | 2015 | RHR | New PNC recommendations are complimentary to existing WHO guidance on managing complications during pregnancy and childbirth |
| Medical eligibility criteria for contraceptive use | 2015 | RHR | Referenced |
| WHO recommendations for prevention and treatment of maternal peripartum infections | 2015 | RHR | Recommendation relevant to PNC was integrated into the PNC guideline |
| WHO recommendations on health promotion interventions for maternal and newborn health | 2015 | MCA | Recommendation relevant to PNC was retained (following review of new evidence) and included in the PNC guideline |
| WHO Consolidated guidelines on the use of antiretroviral drugs for treating and preventing HIV infection: recommendations for a public health approach, second edition | 2016 | Department of HIV | Referenced, and recommendation relevant to PNC was adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| Daily iron supplementation in adult women and adolescent girls | 2016 | NHD | Referenced |

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| Iron supplementation in postpartum women | 2016 | NHD | Recommendation relevant to PNC was integrated into the PNC guideline |
| Polio vaccines: WHO position paper | 2016 | Department of Immunization, Vaccines and Biologicals (IVB) | Referenced |
| Standards for improving quality of maternal and newborn care in health facilities | 2016 | MCA; RHR | Referenced |
| WHO recommendations on antenatal care for a positive pregnancy experience | 2016 | RHR; NHD; MCA | Referenced, and recommendation relevant to PNC was integrated into the PNC guideline |
| Hepatitis B vaccines: WHO position paper | 2017 | IVB | Referenced |
| Preventive chemotherapy to control soil-transmitted helminth infections in at-risk population groups | 2017 | NHD; Department of Control of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) | Recommendation relevant to PNC was adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| Protecting, promoting and supporting breastfeeding in facilities providing maternity and newborn services | 2017 | NHD | Referenced, and recommendations relevant to PNC were integrated into the PNC guideline |
| BCG vaccines: WHO position paper | 2018 | IVB | Referenced |
| Guideline: counselling of women to improve breastfeeding practices | 2018 | MCA; NHD | Referenced |
| Protecting, promoting and supporting breastfeeding in facilities providing maternity and newborn services: implementing the revised baby-friendly hospital initiative | 2018 | NHD | Referenced |
| WHO recommendations on home-based records for maternal, newborn and child health | 2018 | IVB; MCA; RHR | Recommendation relevant to PNC was adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |

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| WHO recommendations on intrapartum care for a positive childbirth experience | 2018 | RHR; MCA | Referenced |
| Contraceptive eligibility for women at high risk of HIV: guidance statement – recommendations on contraceptive methods used by women at high risk of HIV | 2019 | RHR | Referenced |
| Guidelines for malaria vector control | 2019 | Global Malaria Programme | Referenced |
| WHO consolidated guidelines on HIV testing services | 2019 | Department of HIV | Referenced, and recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| WHO consolidated guideline on self-care interventions for health: sexual and reproductive health and rights | 2019 | RHR | Referenced |
| WHO guideline: recommendations on digital interventions for health system strengthening | 2019 | RHR | Recommendations relevant to PNC were integrated into the PNC guideline |
| Improving early childhood development: WHO guideline | 2020 | MCA; Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse (MSD) | Recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and/or integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| WHO guideline on health workforce development, attraction, recruitment and retention in rural and remote areas | 2021 | Health Workforce Department | Recommendation relevant to PNC was adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| WHO guidelines on physical activity and sedentary behaviour | 2020 | Health Promotion | Recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |
| WHO consolidated guidelines on tuberculosis: module 2: screening – Systematic screening for tuberculosis disease | 2021 | Global Tuberculosis Programme | Recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |

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| WHO guideline on control and elimination of human schistosomiasis | 2022 | NTD | Recommendations relevant to PNC were adapted for, and integrated into, the PNC guideline |