

Need a summary of key changes to **AIM's Safe Reduction of Primary Cesarean Birth data collection plan**? This document is for you! Detailed information on changes to the AIM Data Center and side-by-side comparisons of original and updated metrics can be found in the **Data Transition Instructions & Summary of Revisions document**.

Note: *This document does not contain detailed descriptions of all changes but is intended to be a summary of most important changes and key points.*

Key Data Collection Changes

1. Severe Maternal Morbidity (SMM) Including Blood Transfusions

In alignment with the SMM algorithm presented in the **Federally Available Data Resource Document** and ongoing data quality issues for coding transfusion of blood products, AIM **discontinued** all SMM outcome metrics that **include** blood transfusions alone.

2. Cesarean Bundle Adherence Rate

AIM **revised** its process metric for reviewing indications for Nulliparous, Term, Singleton, Vertex (NTSV) Cesarean births in alignment with available standards so that the following sub measures are reported separately:

- a. Dystocia/Arrest of Labor in the Active Phase
- b. Arrest of Labor in the Latent Phase
- c. Abnormal or Indeterminate Fetal Heart Rate Pattern

Numerators and denominators for these metrics can be determined via sampling, and AIM has developed **sampling guidance and tools**.

3. Patient and Support Network Support After a Cesarean Birth

AIM **revised** its Patient and Support Network Support After a Cesarean Birth structure measure so that it specifies different types of communication processes for patients.

4. Labor Management Huddles

AIM **added** a structure measure on establishing huddles that are inclusive of patients, their support networks, and the clinical team for communicating progression and support of labor.

5. Unit Policies and Procedures for Prioritizing Scheduled Inductions of Labor

AIM **added** a structure measure to assess if teams have a prioritization policy, rubric and/or procedure for determining priority of scheduled inductions of labor and Cesarean births.

What's Next?

- ➔ If you use the **AIM Data Center** to report and/or collect data on process and structure metrics, these key changes will be live for the reporting period starting October 1, 2023. Please plan to report these updated metrics as communicated by your primary AIM state or jurisdiction contact.
- ➔ If you use **a platform other than the AIM Data Center** to report and/or collect data on process and structure metrics, please report data as specified and communicated by your primary AIM state or jurisdiction contact.
- ➔ **If you are a facility team** implementing AIM's Safe Reduction of Primary Cesarean Birth patient safety bundle, please reach out to your primary AIM state or jurisdiction contact if you have any questions.
- ➔ **If you are an AIM state or jurisdiction team** facilitating the implementation of AIM's Safe Reduction of Primary Cesarean Birth patient safety bundle, please reach out to the AIM Data Team at aimdatasupport@acog.org if you have any questions.

