**Attachment 6: Summary of additions, deletions, and revisions by section, 2011 NSCH**

**2011 National Survey of Children’s Health**

**Summary of Additions, Deletions, and Revisions, by Section**

**January 21, 2011**

Abbreviations: “SC” = sampled child. “HCP” = health care provider. “CSHCN” = children with special health care needs. “NSCH” = National Survey of Children’s Health.

# Section 1: Initial Demographics

**Deletion:**

* How well respondent speaks English (asked only of respondents for whom the NSCH interview was not conducted in English)

**Section 2: Health and Functional Status**

**Additions:**

* Age at first diagnosis
  + Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
  + Anxiety problems
  + Behavioral or conduct problems
  + Autism, Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)
  + Developmental delay
  + Intellectual disability
  + Cerebral palsy
  + Speech or other language problems
  + Tourette Syndrome
  + Vision problems that cannot be corrected with standard glasses or contact lenses
* Follow-up questions for children ever diagnosed with autism or ASD
  + Type of doctor or other HCP who first told you SC had autism or ASD
  + To the best of your knowledge, did SC ever have autism or ASD
  + Reasons why SC may no longer have autism or ASD
    - Treatment helped condition go away
    - Condition went away on its own
    - Behaviors or symptoms changed
    - A doctor or HCP changed the diagnosis
    - Any other reasons (verbatim)
  + Reasons why a doctor, HCP, or school professional may have told you SC had a condition (he/she) never had
    - With more information, diagnosis was changed
    - Diagnosis was given so (SC) could receive needed services
    - You disagree with the doctor or other HCP about (his/her) opinion that (SC) had autism or ASD
    - Any other reasons (verbatim)

**Deletions:**

* Low birth weight
* Age at first diagnosis
  + Learning disability
* Chronic conditions
  + Hay fever or any kind of respiratory allergy
  + Any kind of food or digestive allergy
  + Eczema or any kind of skin allergy
  + Migraine headaches
  + Three or more ear infections
* Severity of chronic conditions (mild, moderate, severe)
  + Hay fever or any kind of respiratory allergy
  + Any kind of food or digestive allergy
  + Eczema or any kind of skin allergy
  + Migraine headaches
  + Three or more ear infections
* Follow-up: Are SC’s current problems related to his/her bones, joints, or muscles
* Assistive equipment

**Revisions:**

* Dental health
  + Past 6 months did SC have toothache
  + Past 6 months did SC have decayed teeth or cavities
  + Combined these two separate questions into one question, which was moved to Section 4, Subdomain 2
  + Added “unfilled” before “cavities” in the new question
  + Lengthened reference period from “past 6 months” to “past 12 months”

**Section 3: Health Insurance Coverage**

**Deletions:**

* Difficulties enrolling in health plans
  + Past 12 months –tried to enroll SC in new health care plan
  + Ease or difficulty to complete application
  + If difficult, why
* Burden of expenses
  + Respondent or other family members pay all or part of the cost of family’s health insurance
  + Cost of health insurance cause financial problems for family

**Additions:**

* Expenses and barriers to care
  + Cost of SC’s health care caused financial problems for family (wording aligned with the National Health Interview Survey question; also slightly adapted for the NSCH)
  + Frustrated in efforts to obtain health care services for SC

**Section 4: Health Care Access and Utilization**

**Additions:**

* Home visitation (for SC less than 4 years of age only)
  + Any home visits from someone from a maternal, infant, and early childhood home visiting program
  + If so, number of professionals that visited
  + If so, concerns about children and families that may have been discussed
* Vision screening
  + Did SC receive vision testing with pictures, shapes, or letters (ever < 5 years old SC, past 2 years > 5 years old)
  + Kind of place/places where SC received vision test(s)

**Deletion:**

* Child needed care right away from his/her personal doctor or nurse for illness or injury

**Section 5: Medical Home**

**Deletions:**

* Needed an interpreter to speak with SC’s doctors or other HCP
* When needed an interpreter – how often was respondent able to get someone other than a family member to translate

**Section 6: Early Childhood (0 – 5 years)**

**Additions:**

* Flourishing
  + (attachment/bonding): affectionate & tender with you
  + (happy/joy): smiles & laughs a lot

**Revisions:**

* Screen & media time on an average weekday (split into two separate questions)

**Deletions:**

* Receipt of specific information to address concerns from SC’s doctors or other HCP (if the respondent had any concerns about SC’s learning, development, or behavior)
* Child care
  + Among children who received at least 10 hours of care in non-relative setting, where child care was provided
  + Did child ever receive at least 10 hours of care per week from a relative other than parents/guardians
  + Where this care from a relative was received
  + Past month, did respondent need child care for SC
  + Did SC’s behavior limit respondent’s ability to find child care for SC
  + Did SC’s health limit respondent’s ability to find child care for SC
  + During past month how many times did respondent need to make different arrangements for child care at the last minute due to circumstances beyond his/her control
* Injury
  + Past 12 months/since birth – has SC been injured & required medical attention
  + If so, where did this injury occur (mark all that apply: home, child care, some other place)
* Flourishing
  + Comforts or helps others

**Section 7: Middle Childhood and Adolescence (6 – 17 years)**

**Revisions:**

* Screen & media time (split into two separate questions)
  + Amount of time on an average weekday
  + Clarified “limiting the amount of time” and “monitoring the content”
    - reordered questions
    - will be emphasized in interviewer training

**Deletions:**

* School performance in reading and language arts
* School performance in math
* Number of hours taking care of self in past week (SC 13+ years old)
* Exercise to strengthen/tone muscles
* Social competence scale
  + He/she shows respect for teachers and neighbors
  + Gets along well with other children
  + Is disobedient
  + Is stubborn, sullen, or irritable
  + Tries to understand other people’s feelings
  + Tries to resolve conflicts with classmates, family, or friends
* Depressed mood
  + Feels worthless or inferior
  + Is withdrawn, and does not get involved with others
* Flourishing
  + Able to relax and enjoy life
  + Religious or spiritual beliefs shape how SC lives life

**Section 8: Family Functioning**

**Deletion:**

* Warmth and closeness of relationship

**Section 9: Parental Health**

**Deletions:**

* Maternal exercise
* Paternal exercise
* Respondent exercise (if not SC’s mother or father)

**Section 10: Neighborhood & Community Characteristics**

**Deletion:**

* Children in this neighborhood can grow up to be anything they want to be

**Section 11: Additional Demographics**

**Deletions:**

* Length of time SC lived at current address
* Past month - any day when respondent or anyone in family went hungry because they did not have enough money for food

**Section 12: Additional Health Insurance Questions**

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**Unchanged (relative to similar questions used for 2001 evaluation):**

* Main reason for being uninsured (K12Q01) – options modified to delete those unused in 2001 and add commonly reported “other reasons”
* Length of current period of uninsurance (K12Q02)
* Ever heard of Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q11, K12Q21)
* Ever been enrolled in Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q12, K12Q22)
* Ever applied for Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q15, K12Q25)
* Date when last applied for Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q16, K12Q26)
* Belief that child is currently eligible for Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q34)
* Desire to enroll child if told that child was eligible (K12Q35)
* Main reason parent would not want to enroll child (K12Q36) – options modified to delete those unused in 2001 and add commonly reported “other reasons”
* Main reason child is not enrolled (K12Q37) – options modified to delete those unused in 2001 and add commonly reported “other reasons”

**Additions:**

* Ever covered by private insurance (K12Q03 / K12Q04)
* Date when last enrolled in Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q13, K12Q23)
* Main reason why Medicaid / CHIP enrollment ended (K12Q14, K12Q24)
* Knowledge about where to go for information about Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q30)
* Knowledge about how to enroll in Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q31)
* Main reason why parent does not think child is eligible (K12Q38)
* Parents’ coverage (K12Q40, K12Q41, K12Q50, K12Q51, K12Q60, K12Q61)
* Availability of employer-sponsored insurance (K12Q42-K12Q44, K12Q52-K12Q54, K12Q62-K12Q64)
* Main reason child is not covered by ESI, if available to child (K12Q45, K12Q55, K12Q65)
* Size of parents’ employers, if ESI is available to parent (K12Q46, K12Q47, K12Q56, K12Q57, K12Q66, K12Q67)

**Revisions:**

* Main reason unable to enroll in Medicaid / CHIP (K12Q17, K12Q27) – was main reason application process was not finished, options modified to delete those unused in 2001 and add commonly reported “other reasons”
* Perceived difficulty completing an initial application or re-enrolling (K12Q32, K12Q33) – did not previously include re-enrollment, asked only about “an application”

**Deletions:**

* Secondary reasons for being uninsured
* Source where first heard of Medicaid / CHIP
* Secondary reasons for not wanting to enroll child
* Ever tried to enroll but not finish application process