

Outline* of the Kotelchuck Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index:

- I. Month prenatal care began (Adequacy of Initiation of Prenatal Care)**
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| Adequate Plus: | 1 st through 4 th month |
| Adequate: | 1 st through 4 th month |
| Intermediate: | 1 st through 4 th month |
| Inadequate: | 5 th month or later or no prenatal care |
- II. Proportion of the number of visits recommended by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists received from the time prenatal care began until the time of delivery (Adequacy of Received Services)**
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| Adequate Plus: | 110% or more |
| Adequate: | 80-109% |
| Intermediate: | 50-79% |
| Inadequate: | less than 50% |
- III. Summary of Adequacy of Prenatal Care Utilization Index**
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| Adequate Plus: | prenatal care began by the end of the 4 th month and 110% or more recommended visits received |
| Adequate: | prenatal care began by the end of the 4 th month and 80-109% or more recommended visits received |
| Intermediate: | prenatal care began by the end of the 4 th month and 50-79% or more recommended visits received |
| Inadequate: | prenatal care began after the 4 th month or less than 50% or more recommended visits received |

The SAS programming code to produce this index should be available in each state through their MCH/Title V office.

* Kotelchuck M. An evaluation of the Kessner adequacy of prenatal care index and a proposed adequacy of prenatal care utilization index. *American Journal of Public Health*. 1994;84(9):1414-1420.