

Congenital Varicella Syndrome

Australian Paediatric Surveillance Unit

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Study ID #:

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Report:

*Instructions: Please answer each question by ticking the appropriate box or writing your response
in the space provided. DK=Don't Know; NA = Not Applicable*

Version

REPORTING CLINICIAN

1. APSU Dr Code/Name: / _____
2. Month/Year of Report: _____ / _____
3. Date questionnaire completed: / /

PATIENT

4. First 2 letters of first name:
5. First 2 letters of surname:
6. Date of Birth: / /
7. Sex: M F
8. Post code:
9. Date of diagnosis: month / year
10. Measures at birth (if known)
- (a) Birth weight: _____ grams
- (b) Length: _____ cm
- (c) Head Circumference: _____ cm (if known)
11. Gestational age at birth: _____ weeks (if known)
12. Country of Birth: Australia Other, specify: _____ DK
13. Mother's country of birth: Australia Other, specify: _____ DK
14. Father's country of birth: Australia Other, specify: _____ DK
15. Is the child of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? Yes No DK

If this patient is primarily cared for by another physician whom you believe will report the case and could provide additional details, please write the other physician's name in the space below then complete questionnaire details above this line and return to APSU. If no other report is received for this child we will contact you for further information.

The primary clinician caring for this child is: **Name:** _____ **Hospital** _____

Instructions for questions below: Please answer each question by ticking the appropriate box or writing your response in the space provided. Y = Yes, N = No, DK = Don't Know, NA = Not applicable

DIAGNOSIS (tick all that apply)

16. Which of the following criteria were used to diagnose Congenital Varicella Syndrome (CVS)?
- Cicatricial skin lesions in a dermatomal distribution and/or pox-like scars and/or limb hypoplasia
- Development of Herpes Zoster in the first year of life
- Spontaneous abortion following varicella infection in pregnancy; Termination; Stillbirth or Early death
17. If laboratory confirmed, which tests were +ve? Culture PCR EM
- IF Serology
- xx. Has varicella genotyping being performed? Yes No DK
- If Yes, Type:** _____
- If NOT, is there any leftover specimen available for Genotyping?** Yes No DK

18. Give gestation/age when abnormalities were first noted:

_____ weeks gestation; **or**
_____ days/weeks of age

CLINICAL FEATURES

19. Did the child have any of the following features at diagnosis? (tick all that apply)

a) Cicatricial skin scars? Yes No DK

b) Pox-like lesions? Yes No DK

c) Limb hypoplasia? Yes No DK

d) Herpes Zoster (<12m of age) ? Yes No DK

If Yes specify age(s) at onset:

e) CNS abnormality? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

(e.g. microcephaly, hydrocephalus, cerebellar hypoplasia, motor or sensory defects, sphincter dysfunction, peripheral nervous system defects, muscle atrophy, encephalitis, cortical atrophy)

f) Eye lesions? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

(e.g. cataract, chorioretinitis, Horner's syndrome, ptosis, nystagmus, optic atrophy)

g) Gastrointestinal abnormalities? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

(e.g. colonic atresia, hepatitis, liver failure)

h) Genito-urinary abnormalities? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

i) Cardiovascular abnormalities? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

j) Failure to thrive? Yes No DK

If yes, give measures: Height:

Weight: _____ grams

Age when measured:

k) Developmental delay? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify:

OUTCOME OF CHILD

20. Was hospitalization after birth prolonged due to

CVS? Yes No DK

Or was the child readmitted for CVS? Yes No DK

If Yes for either, number of days hospitalized due to CVS:

_____ days

21. Did the child receive any treatment specifically

related to CVS? Yes No DK

If Yes, please specify treatments:

22. Did the patient undergo surgery related to CVS?

If Yes, please specify: Yes No DK

23. What is the child's current status?

Still hospitalised GO TO Q26

Dead GO TO Q24

Discharged alive GO TO Q25

24. If the child died, was varicella, or its complications a cause of death? Yes No DK

25. If the child was discharged, were there any ongoing problems related to CVS on discharge? Yes No DK

If Yes, describe:

PREGNANCY AND MOTHER'S DETAILS for all live births

26. If you do not know the answers to the following questions, is there another medical practitioner (eg. Mother's obstetrician or GP) from whom we could obtain this information? Yes No DK

If Yes, please provide contact details:

27. Mother's age when this child was born: _____ years

28. Affected child's birth order e.g. 1/1, 2/2 : _____ / _____

29. Did the mother have an identified varicella contact during pregnancy? Yes No DK

If Yes, go to question 30

If No or DK, go to question 34

30. Gestation at time of contact in weeks from LMP: _____ weeks

31. Who was the source of exposure for mother? *if known (e.g. own child, relative):*

32. Was this contact living in the same household? Yes No DK

33. Had the contact been vaccinated against varicella, (if known)? Yes No DK

34. Did the mother have a varicella-like illness in pregnancy? Yes No DK

If No/DK, go to question 36

If yes, stage of pregnancy in weeks from LMP: _____ weeks

35. What treatment was provided to the mother for the varicella-like illness?

<input type="checkbox"/> Zoster immune globulin	<input type="checkbox"/> Aciclovir
<input type="checkbox"/> Famciclovir	<input type="checkbox"/> Valaciclovir
<input type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> DK
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____	

36. Was maternal varicella infection confirmed by laboratory testing? Yes No DK

If Yes, which laboratory tests were +ve?

<input type="checkbox"/> Culture	<input type="checkbox"/> PCR	<input type="checkbox"/> EM	<input type="checkbox"/> IF	<input type="checkbox"/> Serology
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Thank you for your assistance with this research project

Please return this questionnaire to the APSU via email to SCHN-APSU@health.nsw.gov.au or by mail to: Australian Paediatric Surveillance Unit, Kids Research, Locked Bag 4001, Westmead NSW 2145 or via Fax: (02) 9845 3082

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