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OBSTETRICS. MIDWIFERY

OBSTETRICS

- 1 Societies
- 11 History of obstetrics only. For history of midwifery use WQ141
- 13 Dictionaries. Encyclopaedias. Bibliographies
Use for general works on obstetrics only. Classify with specific subject where possible e.g. Midwifery dictionaries at WQ143
- 15 Classification. Nomenclature
- 16 Statistics. Use for general statistics on obstetrics
See WQ560 for maternal death, WQ562 for perinatal death and WQ230 for foetal death
- 18 Education and training in obstetrics
Include educational materials for both teaching and study
- 19 Schools, departments, faculties of obstetrics
- 20 Research. Research design
Include research to support evidence-based practice
Classify research on a specific subject with the subject. For Midwifery research use WQ147
- 21 Obstetrics as a profession. Careers
Include ethics, accountability, clinical governance and clinical effectiveness etc
- 22 Directories
- 25 Laboratory manuals
- 26 Equipment and supplies
- 26.5 Use of computers, IT and telecommunications technology

- 27 Maternity services. Include maternity hospitals, G.P. units and independent birth centres. Include health services policy and planning
- 28 Emergency maternity services
- 32 Laws
- 33 Discussion of laws
- 55 Maternity rights. Financial assistance
See WX430 for maternity rights specific to an employer
- 100 Obstetrics. General works
Include works covering both obstetrics and gynaecology
- 110 Sociology of childbearing. Attitudes. Customs. Include registration of birth
- 111 Surrogacy
- 112 Cross-cultural studies
- 115 Psychology of childbearing
Include body image and sexuality
- 120 Popular works on all aspects of pregnancy and childbirth, e.g. sex in pregnancy
Include school texts
- 125 Works on health education and its teaching in pregnancy
See HQ130-136 for sex education

MIDWIFERY

- 140 Midwifery. General works and manuals
- 141 History of midwifery
- 143 Dictionaries, encyclopaedias and bibliographies
- 145 Education and training
Include educational materials for both teaching and study

- 147 Research. Research design
Include research to support evidence-based practice
Classify research on a specific subject with the subject
- 150 Midwifery as a profession
Include male midwives, lay midwives etc
Include professional bodies, regulation and registration, clinical governance and clinical effectiveness
- 155 Organisation of midwifery. Staffing, services etc.
Include midwifery models, supervision, mentorship, preceptorship, clinical supervision etc
- 160 Community midwifery
Include independent midwives
- 163 Ethics in midwifery. Code of conduct. Malpractice and discipline
- 165 Legal aspects of midwifery
- 170 Obstetric nursing

PRECONCEPTUAL CARE

- 172 Preconceptual care. General works. Include reproductive history
- 173 Genetic counselling. Include preimplantation diagnosis
See WM843 for genetic counselling for learning disability

ANTENATAL CARE

- 175 Antenatal care. General works
- 177 Antenatal services. Antenatal clinics
Include community services
Include services for women with special needs, e.g. disabled women, women from ethnic groups, etc
- 180 Antenatal education
- 185 Exercise and relaxation. Physiotherapy. General works
Include the use of complementary therapies
- 188 Diet and nutrition

PREGNANCY

- 200 Pregnancy. General works
- 201 Anatomy of pregnancy
- 203 Physiology and endocrinology of pregnancy
- 204 Diagnosis
See QY335 for pregnancy tests
- 205 Conception. Fertilisation. Ovum development
See QS645 for embryology
- 206 Diagnostic sex determination
- 207 Artificial insemination
- 208 In vitro fertilisation (IVF). Gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT)
See QS685 for embryo as experimental material in vitro
See WP618 for ovum donors

FOETUS

For embryology see QS604-690 or specific systems/part

- 210 Foetus. Foetal membranes. Umbilical cord. General works
- 211 Foetal anatomy, physiology and biochemistry
Include gestational age
- 212 Prenatal diagnosis and monitoring. Foetal heartbeat. General works
- 213 Radiography
- 214 Ultrasound
Include use of ultrasonography as a diagnostic tool, include safety and ethical issues
- 215 Amniocentesis
- 216 Foetal diseases and abnormalities

- 217 Foetal surgery
- 218 Placenta. General works
Include diseases of the placenta, transplacental passage of substances to the foetus
See QS650 for placentation and for placenta as experimental material

PREGNANCY COMPLICATIONS

- 220 Pregnancy complications. General works and those not specified below
- 221 Unwanted pregnancy
See WQ440 for surgical techniques in abortion
- 222 Environmental and social problems
Include poverty, adolescent mothers, domestic violence in pregnancy, etc
See WQ177 for antenatal services to women with special needs; HQ620 for single-parent families and HV for social welfare services
- 223 Complications through age or youth. Teenage pregnancy. Elderly primagravida
- 224 Complications caused by drugs, alcohol, smoking etc.
- 226 Ectopic pregnancy
- 228 Difficult pregnancy. Lazy cervix. Bleeding. Antenatal haemorrhage
- 230 Miscarriage. Spontaneous abortion. Foetal death
See WQ566 for psychological sequelae
- 232 Toxaemias
- 234 Multiparous mothers
- 236 Multiple pregnancy. Normal or drug induced
- 237 Complications associated with assisted reproduction
See WQ236 for multiple pregnancy
- 238 Iatrogenic problems of pregnancy
Include use of therapeutic drugs in normal pregnancy
- 240 Minor complications, e.g. nausea, vomiting, food cravings, back ache

- 242 Women with pre-existing medical conditions
See WQ248 for diabetes
- 244 Cardiovascular complications, e.g. hypertension
- 248 Diabetes in pregnancy
- 252 Haematologic complications
- 253 Rhesus factor
- 256 Infectious diseases, e.g. rubella, Group B streptococcal infections
Include septic abortion and sexually transmitted infections
- 260 Urologic complications
- 263 Pre-eclampsia, eclampsia, and HELLP syndrome
- 265 Breast problems in pregnancy
- 270 Psychological and psychiatric problems
- 275 Prolonged pregnancy

LABOUR AND BIRTH

- 300 Labour. Delivery. Childbirth. General works
- 302 Place of birth. Home births, etc
See WQ27 for general works on maternity services
- 304 Presence of father and other birth attendants
- 305 Physiology of labour
- 306 Analgesia in labour
- 307 Presentation, e.g. breech
- 308 Positions and conditions of labour, e.g. delivery in water, birth stools, use of complementary therapies etc.

- 309 Induction or retardation of labour
- 310 Labour complications
Include disproportion of the pelvis; premature labour, foetal distress, meconium
- 311 Foetal monitoring during labour and delivery
- 312 Delivery. General works
- 314 Instrumental delivery
Include forceps delivery, vacuum extraction and complications
- 330 Delivery complications, e.g. postpartum haemorrhage, perineal tears and trauma
- 335 Injuries to mother
- 340 Normal and natural childbirth
- 350 Leboyer method
- 360 Other methods

SURGERY

- 400 Obstetric surgery. General works
See WO725 for obstetric anaesthesia
- 410 Episiotomy
- 430 Caesarean section
Include analgesia and anaesthesia, rates and trends, birth outcomes, and psychological sequelae
- 435 Embryotomy
- 440 Abortion and miscarriage. Surgical techniques
See HQ170-178 for sociological aspects of abortion; QV175 for abortifacient agents

PUERPERIUM AND PERINATAL CARE

Include works that focus on parenting and motherhood.
Classify works on the neonate in WS800-817

- 500 Puerperium. Perinatology. General works
- 505 Popular works on parenting and adaptation to parenthood
Include works that also cover pregnancy and childbirth
See WS75 for popular works on child care in general
- 520 Postnatal care. General works
Include professional works on parenting and adaptation to parenthood
- 522 Postnatal services
Include community services
- 524 Postnatal health education
- 526 Exercise. Physiotherapy
- 528 Diet and nutrition
Include needs of breastfeeding women
- 530 Puerperal infection
- 540 Mental illness during puerperium. Postnatal depression and psychosis
- 545 Other postnatal complications e.g. incontinence, pelvic floor damage
Include psychological sequelae
- 560 Maternal death
Include works covering maternal and perinatal death. Include statistics
See also WS820 for infant mortality
- 562 Perinatal death
Use WS820 for post neonatal and infant deaths
- 564 Stillbirth
- 566 Psychological sequelae to miscarriage, foetal death and stillbirth
Include bereavement support services

INFANT FEEDING

See WS800-817 for general care of the neonate

- 600 Infant feeding. General works
Include general works on breastfeeding
- 610 Popular works about breastfeeding
- 615 Practical aspects of breastfeeding
Include care of the breast during lactation, use of breast pumps etc
- 620 Breastfeeding problems
Include mastitis, insufficient milk, breast cancer in lactating women etc,
prolonged breastfeeding
- 625 Weaning
Include infant formulae and follow-on milk
Include practical aspects of bottle feeding, marketing of formulas etc