

APPENDIX L: Low Birth Weight Categories

Note: If more than one low birth weight category can be assigned based on the codes below, then the lowest birth weight category identified is assigned

Birth weight less than 500 grams diagnosis codes (Category 1): (LW500G)

P0501	Newborn light for gestational age, less than 500 grams	P0511	Newborn small for gestational age, less than 500 grams
		P0701	Extremely low birth weight newborn, less than 500 grams

Birth weight 500 to 749 grams diagnosis codes (Category 2): (LW750G)

P0502	Newborn light for gestational age, 500-749 grams	P0512	Newborn small for gestational age, 500-749 grams
		P0702	Extremely low birth weight newborn, 500-749 grams

Birth weight less than 1,000 grams diagnosis codes (Category 3): (LW1000G)

P0503	Newborn light for gestational age, 750-999 grams	P0513	Newborn small for gestational age, 750-999 grams
		P0703	Extremely low birth weight newborn, 750-999 grams

Birth weight 1,000 to 1,249 grams diagnosis codes (Category 4): (LW1250G)

P0504	Newborn light for gestational age, 1000-1249 grams	P0514	Newborn small for gestational age, 1000-1249 grams
		P0714	Other low birth weight newborn, 1000-1249 grams

Birth weight 1,250 to 1,499 grams diagnosis codes (Category 5): (LW1500G)

P0505	Newborn light for gestational age, 1250-1499 grams	P0515	Newborn small for gestational age, 1250-1499 grams
		P0715	Other low birth weight newborn, 1250-1499 grams

Birth weight 1,500 to 1,749 grams diagnosis codes (Category 6): (LW1750G)

P0506	Newborn light for gestational age, 1500-1749 grams	P0516	Newborn small for gestational age, 1500-1749 grams
		P0716	Other low birth weight newborn, 1500-1749 grams

Birth weight 1,750 to 1,999 grams diagnosis codes (Category 7): (LW2000G)

P0507	Newborn light for gestational age, 1750-1999 grams	P0517	Newborn small for gestational age, 1750-1999 grams
		P0717	Other low birth weight newborn, 1750-1999 grams

Birth weight 2,000 to 2,499 grams diagnosis codes (Category 8): (LW2500G)

P0508	Newborn light for gestational age, 2000-2499 grams	P0518	Newborn small for gestational age, 2000-2499 grams
		P0718	Other low birth weight newborn, 2000-2499 grams