

Antenatal Card

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Summary The antenatal card is a complete medical and obstetric history of the expectant mother and they are advised to carry the card at all times during pregnancy.

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1. This circular supersedes Circular No 99/82 issued on 6 October 1999.
2. The antenatal card (PNC2) has been designed by the NSW Department of Health in consultation with the Royal Australian College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners.
3. The antenatal card (PNC2) is a complete medical and obstetric history of the expectant mother. She should be advised to carry the antenatal record (PNC2) or an equivalent record with her at all times during pregnancy and especially to the hospital where labour commences.
4. A copy of the antenatal card (PNC2) or an equivalent record must be kept in the hospital medical record.
5. A copy of the antenatal card (PNC2) or an equivalent record should also be kept by the obstetrician, general practitioner or midwife for their record.
6. Antenatal cards (PNC2) are now available **free of charge** by written request to:

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NSW Government Printing Service
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