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Question:

In terms of the National Maternity Services Plan, on the Health website we have the implementation plan for the middle year 2012-13, which had the priorities. We also have the annual reports from 2010-11 and 2011-12. Are there subsequent annual reports that are elsewhere that I will not be able to find on the website?

Answer:

The National Maternity Services Plan Annual Reports for 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 can be accessed on the Department of Health website at:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/maternity-pubs>

The reports are also available from the COAG Health Council website (under the Reports tab) at: <http://www.coaghealthcouncil.gov.au/Publications/Reports/PgrID/514/PageID/1>

The draft National Maternity Services Plan Annual Report for 2013-14 has been endorsed out-of-session by the Australian Health Ministers' Advisory Council (AHMAC) and is expected to be published on the Department of Health website by the end of April 2016.

The draft National Maternity Services Plan Annual Report for 2014-15 has recently been finalised by the Maternity Services Inter-jurisdictional Committee. It will be published on the Department of Health website following endorsement by the Community Care and Population Health Principal Committee and AHMAC. It is anticipated that it will be published by June 2016.