Appendix 8 — Collaborations and partnerships for the purpose of data sharing

Australian Centre for Asthma Monitoring (ACAM)

The AIHW has an agreement with the Woolcock Institute of Medical Research for the management of the ACAM for the period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2009. The AIHW collaborates with the ACAM in the development and dissemination of asthma-related information as part of the Australian System for Monitoring Asthma.

Australian General Practice Statistics and Classification Centre (AGPSCC)

The AIHW has an agreement with the University of Sydney for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2010. The AIHW in collaboration with the AGPSCC collects and makes available information about characteristics of patients of general practitioners in Australia and the medical services and pharmaceutical prescriptions provided to such patients.

Dental Statistics and Research Unit (DSRU)

The AIHW has an agreement with the University of Adelaide for the operation of the AIHW DSRU at the university for the period 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2008. The unit was established for the purposes of collecting, collating and analysing statistics relating to dental care and oral health, and on dental services and service providers, and for initiating and undertaking associated research studies.

National Injury Surveillance Unit (NISU)

The AIHW has an agreement with Flinders University for the operation of the NISU for the period 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2008. An additional schedule to the agreement exists between the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) and the AIHW for the NISU for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 June 2008. The unit was developed for the purposes of informing community discussion and supporting policy making on the prevention and control of injury in Australia by developing, coordinating, interpreting and disseminating relevant information, research and analysis.

National Perinatal Statistics Unit (NPSU)

The AIHW has an agreement with the University of New South Wales for the operation of the NPSU at the university for the period 1 July 2002 to 30 June 2008. The unit was established for the purposes of providing national leadership in the development and study of statistics relating to perinatal health; collecting, collating and analysing statistics relating to perinatal health; and initiating and undertaking associated research studies.

Public Health Information Development Unit (PHIDU)

The AIHW has an agreement with Adelaide Research & Innovation Pty Ltd (a wholly owned company of the University of Adelaide) for the operation of the AIHW PHIDU from 1 October 2004 to 30 June 2010. The unit was established for the purposes of collecting, collating and analysing statistics relating to public health and for initiating and undertaking associated research studies.

National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH)

The AIHW has an agreement with the Queensland University of Technology and the Australian Bureau of Statistics for the operation of the NCHH (Brisbane) for the period 1 July 2003 to 30 June 2008. The NCCH supports the use of health classifications in mortality, hospitals and other data sets, and associated international work.

The AIHW also has an agreement in place for the National Centre for Classification (University of Sydney) for the period 22 November 2004 to 30 June 2008. The agreement provides a basis for AIHW and the NCCH cooperating to ensure adequate resourcing for the updating and implementation of the ICD-10-AM (Australian version of the International Classification of Diseases).

National Centre in HIV/AIDS Epidemiology and Clinical Research

The AIHW has an agreement with the University of New South Wales for cooperation on information and research on human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) diagnoses under a national HIV/AIDS strategy from 1 January 2004 to 31 December 2007. The AIHW collaborates with the university in the collection, development and dissemination of care reporting on HIV and AIDS diagnoses and ensures that the compilation and interpretation of HIV/AIDS surveillance data provided by DoHA and state and territory health departments is appropriate, secure and efficient.

National Centre for Immunisation Research and Surveillance of **Vaccine Preventable Diseases**

The AIHW is currently in negotiations with the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children to renew their agreement for the operation of the Vaccine Preventable Diseases Research Unit at the Hospital. The AIHW collaborates with the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children to undertake analysis and dissemination of information on vaccine preventable diseases and immunisation in Australia.

Other partnerships and Collaborations

The AIHW also has collaboration and partnership agreements in place with other agencies where the aim is to work together, other than exchange data. These partnerships include the Australian Commission for Safety and Quality in Health Care and the Australian Institute of Family Studies.