S1. Core Outcome Set-STAndardised Protocol Items (COS-STAP) Checklist for the 'Vaginal Birth Core Information Set' Study

Item Number	Name	Location
1	Identify in the title that the paper describes the background, methods and results for the development of a CIS	Title Page 1
2	Provide a structured abstract	Abstract Page 2-3
3	Describe the background and explain the rationale for developing the CIS	Background Page 4-5
4	Describe the specific objectives with reference to developing a CIS	Background Page 4-5
5	Describe the health condition(s) and population(s) that will be covered by the CIS	Methods Page 5-10
6	Describe the intervention(s) that will be covered by the CIS	Methods Page 5-10
7	Describe the setting(s) that will be covered by the CIS	Methods Page 5-10
8	Indicate the CIS study registration details and registry name. If not yet registered indicate the intended registry	Methods Page 5
9	Describe any study oversight committees	Acknowledgements (Options Study Collaborative) Page 19-21
10	Describe sources of funding, role of funders	Funding Page 18
11	Describe any potential conflicts of interest within the study team and how these will be managed	Disclosures of interests Page 21
12	Describe the stakeholder groups to be involved in the CIS development process and the rationale for their involvement	Methods- Page 5-10 Acknowledgements- Page 21
13	Describe the eligibility criteria for individuals from each stakeholder group	Methods Page 5-10
14	Describe how individuals of each stakeholder groups will be identified	Methods Page 5-10

15	Describe how individuals of each stakeholder group will be chosen from within the stakeholder group	Methods Page 5-10
16	Describe how many planned individuals within each stakeholder group will be invited to participate in the consensus process	Methods Page 5-10
17	Describe how individuals will be invited to take part in the consensus process	Methods Page 8
18	Describe the information sources that will be used to identify the list of outcomes. Outline the methods or reference other protocols/papers.	Methods (Stage 1) Page 5-7
19	Describe how outcomes may be dropped/ combined, with reasons	Methods- Page 9-10 Results- Page 13
20	Describe the methods to identify outcome descriptor terms	Methods (Stage 3) Page 8
21	Describe the plans for how the consensus process will be undertaken	Methods (Stage 4) Page 8-10
22	Describe what information will be presented to participants at the start of the consensus process	Methods (Stage 4) Page 8
23	Describe what each participant will be asked to do at each stage of the consensus process	Methods (Stage 4) Page 8
24	Describe how the participants will receive any feedback during the consensus process	Methods (Stage 4) Page 9-10
25	Describe how non-response (or partial response) will be handled during the consensus process	Methods Page 9
26	Describe how the study material will be made patient friendly and understandable (if relevant)	Methods (Think-aloud interviews) Page 8
27	Describe the consensus definition	Methods Page 9
28	Describe the procedure for determining how outcomes will be added/combined/dropped from consideration during the consensus process	Methods Page 9
29	Describe how outcomes will be scored and summarised	Methods Page 9-10

30	Describe how the response rate will be maximised	Methods Page 8-9
31	Describe how attrition bias will be assessed	Results Page 17
32	Describe any software that will be used during the consensus process and to analyse the results	Methods Page 8
33	Describe any plans for obtaining research ethics committee / institutional review board approval in relation to the consensus process (if relevant)	Ethical approval Page 21
34	Describe how informed consent will be obtained (if relevant)	Methods Page 5-10
35	Describe any details about how the confidentiality of data collection will be preserved during the consensus process (if relevant)	Methods Page 10