Management of the Labour Ward
Joint RCOG/BMFMS Meeting
Tuesday 14 – Friday 17 May 2019

Location: RCOG, London

OVERVIEW
This course is suitable for any clinician who spends a significant amount of time on the labour ward, or has a major interest in risk management and clinical governance, audit and guidelines, neonatology, anaesthetics, medical disorders, to practical obstetrics skills and how to run skills and drills training in your own unit. The programme includes a variety of authoritative speakers with ample time for discussion, debate and networking throughout the course of the meeting.

This meeting is also recognised for and aims to cover the theoretical component of the "Advanced Labour Ward Practice" and "Labour Ward Lead" Advanced Training Skills Modules (ATSMs), which are undertaken as a ST6/7. The courses are valid for three years, and must be completed prior to completion of the practical component of the ATSMs. Those undertaking the "Labour Ward Lead" ATSM must also complete the "Advanced Labour Ward Practice" ATSM, and should therefore attend all 4 days.

Learning Objectives
After this course you will:
• To gain the knowledge and understanding to safely support the physiological processes of labour and birth
• Understand the importance of promoting and maintaining safe and personalised care for women and supporting decision making
• Have gained understanding of how to measure and improve care on labour ward
• Recognise and manage the unwell, pregnant woman including those with medical problems
• Have updated your knowledge in a range of practical obstetric skills including relevant Ultrasound skills
• Have gained a thorough understanding of analgesia and anaesthesia in labour and birth
• Have gained a thorough understanding of neonatal resuscitation and neonatal outcomes
• Understand the role of the labour ward lead - particularly in relation to risk management, clinical governance, team dynamics, training
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Why Attend?
- Update and advance your knowledge regarding management of the labour ward
- Hear about clinical governance, risk management and NPSA specifically in relation to obstetrics
- Days 1-3 are recognised for the theoretical component of the "Advanced Labour Ward Practice" ATSM
- Day four is recognised for the theoretical component of the "Labour Ward Lead" ATSM
- Claim a maximum of 23 CPD credits for full attendance at this meeting

Who Should Attend?
- Those who are registered, or plan to register for the 'Advanced Labour Ward Practice' and 'Labour Ward Lead' ATSMs
- All Trainees, Consultants and SAS Doctors in Obstetrics and Gynaecology
- Midwives and Clinicians who spend a significant amount of time on the labour ward

Organising Committee
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Programme

Tuesday 14 May

9.00am  REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

Session 1

9.30am  Welcome and introduction
Dr Maggie Matthews, Consultant Obstetricians and Gynaecologist,
The Tunbridge Wells Hospital

9.40am  Bringing human factors to the labour ward
Dr Kirsty Maclennan, Consultant Anaesthetist; Associate Director of Medical Education, Training Programme Director (Core Anaesthesia, South School NW) Manchester Foundation Trust
10.15am  **Multiprofessional training to improve perinatal care: From Serious Incidents to Bereavement**  
Dr Dimitrios Siassakos, Associate Professor / Reader in Obstetrics, University College London; Honorary Consultant in Obstetrics, University College London Hospital; Clinical Lead, Operative Birth Science, Wellcome EPSRC centre for Interventional + Surgical Sciences (WEISS)

10.45am  **The maternity experience – women’s perspectives**  
Amy Gibbs, Chief Executive, Birthrights

11.15am  **Q&A**

11.25am  **REFRESHMENTS**

**Session II**

11.45am  **Improving care – outcomes and quality improvement on the labour ward**  
Dr Maggie Matthews

12.15pm  **Caring for women with raised BMI in labour. How to overcome some of the problems**  
Dr Helen Simpson, Consultant Obstetrician, James Cook University Hospital, Middlesbrough

12.45pm  **Q&A**

1.00pm  **LUNCH (2 course standing fork lunch)**

**Session III**

2.00pm  **Non pharmacological pain relief for labour**  
Miss Elaine Cheung, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Barnet Hospital, Royal Free London

2.30pm  **Pharmacological analgesia / anaesthesia for labour**  
Dr Kirsty Maclennan

3.00pm  **Anaesthesia and analgesia for CS**  
Dr George Graham, Consultant Anaesthetist, Tunbridge Wells Hospital, Pembury

3.30pm  **Everything you wanted to ask about pain relief**  
Miss Elaine Cheung, Dr George Graham and Dr Kirsty Maclennan

3.50pm  **REFRESHMENTS**
Session IV

4.10pm National audits and surveillance studies
Prof Marian Knight, Professor of Maternal and Child Population Health, National Perinatal Epidemiology Unit, University of Oxford

4.50pm Advanced surgical skills for caesarean section
Dr Rita Arya, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Warrington and Halton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

5.20pm Q&A

5.30pm CLOSE of DAY ONE

6.00pm Evening workshop – Birthright: Human Rights in Maternity Care
- Ms Maria Booker, Programmes Director, Birthrights
- Dr Rineke Schram, Consultant Obstetrician and Chief Medical Officer, East Lancashire Hospitals NHS Trust and Birthrights Trustee

This session, run by Birthrights, the charity devoted to human rights in maternity care, will offer an introduction to human rights law, and key legal judgements in maternity care including Montgomery vs Lanarkshire. With the help of case studies and discussion we will examine maternity practices that violate human rights and an opportunity to reflect on what a human rights centred labour ward might look like.

Wednesday 15 May

8.30am REFRESHMENTS

Session V

9.00am Complex women – complex care
Dr Jenny Myers, Clinical Senior Lecturer and Consultant Obstetrician, St Mary’s Hospital, Manchester

9.40am Q&A

9.45am Maternal collapse
Dr Maggie Matthews

10.15am Sepsis a case based approach
Dr Melissa Whitworth, Consultant Obstetrician, St Mary’s Hospital, Central Manchester and Manchester Children’s University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

10.45am Q&A

11.00am REFRESHMENTS
Session VI

11.20am  Operative vaginal delivery (including rotational)
Mr Kim Hinshaw, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist; Director of Research & Innovation, Sunderland Royal Hospital

11.50am  Perineal repair of third and fourth degree tears
Miss Sanchita Sen, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Southmead Hospital, Bristol

12.20pm  Q&A

12.30pm  LUNCH (2 course standing fork lunch)

Session VII

1.35pm  Multiple pregnancy
Mr Kim Hinshaw

2.05pm  The management of women with heart disease (congenital and acquired) on labour ward
Dr Sarah Vause, Consultant in Fetomaternal Medicine, St Mary’s Hospital, Manchester

2.45pm  Breech including ECV and upright breech birth
Dr Leonie Penna, Consultant Obstetrician; Divisional Medical Director, Urgent Care, Planned Care and Allied Service, Kings College NHS Foundation Trust, London

3.25pm  Q&A

3.35pm  REFRESHMENTS

Session VIII

3.50pm  Medical problems on the labour ward
Professor Catherine Nelson-Piercy, Consultant Obstetric Physician, Professor of Obstetric Medicine, St Thomas' Hospital, London

4.30pm  Q&A

4.45pm  Care of women requesting care outside guidelines
Miss Victoria Cochrane, Consultant Midwife for Normality, Chelsea and Westminster and West Middlesex Hospital, London
5.15pm  Q&A
5.30pm  CLOSE of DAY TWO
5.30pm  **Evening workshop – Whose Shoes**
This session will provide a relaxed, fun environment using the Whose Shoes interactive board game to explore the role of service users, Maternity Voice Partnerships and RCOG women’s network in shaping safe and personalised maternity care.

Delivered by Florence Wilcock FRCOG and members of local Maternity Voice Partnerships

**Thursday 16 May**

8.45am  **REFRESHMENTS**

**Session IX**

9.00am  **Optimising incident investigation and Learning**
Miss Louise Page

9.30am  **Preterm labour and cervical cerclage**
Prof Phil Bennett, Director of the Institute of Reproductive & Developmental Biology (IRDB), Imperial College London and Honorary Consultant, Queen Charlotte’s and Chelsea Hospital, London

10.10am  Q&A
10.20am  **REFRESHMENTS**

**Session X**

10.40am  **Resuscitation and outcomes at the limits of viability**
Dr Paul Mannix, Consultant Neonatologist, Southmead Hospital, Bristol

11.15am  **Pathogenesis and outcomes for intrapartum brain injury**
Dr David Evans, Consultant Neonatologist, Southmead Hospital, Bristol

11.50am  **Neonatal outcomes**
Dr Pam Cairns, Consultant Neonatologist, St Michael’s Hospital, Bristol

12.20pm  Q&A
12.35pm  **LUNCH (2 course standing fork lunch)**
Session XI

1.20pm  The importance of paediatric pathology
Dr Jo McPartland, Consultant Paediatric Pathologist, Alder Hey Children’s NHS Foundation Trust, Liverpool

1.55pm  Q&A

2.00pm  Advanced techniques for massive haemorrhage
Dr Andrew Thomson, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Royal Alexandra Hospital (NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde), Paisley

2.30pm  Monitoring the fetus during labour
Dr Susie Crowe, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist – Clinical Lead for Obstetrics, Royal London Hospital

3.00pm  Q&A

3.10pm  REFRESHMENTS

Session XII

3.30pm  Preeclampsia
Prof Lucy Chappell, NIHR Research Professor in Obstetrics, King’s College London

4.10pm  The New ATSM
Mrs Sarah Reynolds, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Bedford Hospital NHS Trust, Bedford

4.20pm  USS on the labour ward
Prof Christoph Lees, Professor of Obstetrics, Imperial College London; Visiting Professor, Department of Development & Regeneration KU Leuven, Belgium; Head of Fetal Medicine & Honorary Consultant in Obstetrics, Imperial College Healthcare NHS Trust, Centre for Fetal Care, Queen Charlotte’s & Chelsea Hospital, London

5.10pm  Q&A

5.20pm  CLOSE of DAY THREE
Friday 17 May

Labour Ward Lead

8.30am \textit{REFRESHMENTS}

Session XIII

9.00am \textbf{Welcome}
Miss Louise Page, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, West Middlesex Hospital

9.10am \textbf{Life as a labour ward lead}
Miss Christina Cotzias, Consultant Obstetrician, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, West Middlesex Hospital

9.40am \textbf{Recognising and Influencing a Dysfunctional team}
Miss Sarah Flint, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, Chief of Service for Womens Childrens and Sexual Health, Tunbridge Wells Hospital

10.10am \textbf{The Gift of Complaints}
Dr Sonia Barnfield, Consultant Obstetrician, North Bristol Trust

10.40am \textbf{Q&A}

10.50am \textit{REFRESHMENTS}

Session XIV

11.10am \textbf{Legal perspective}
Rebecca Richardson, Partner, Capsticks Solicitors LLP, London

11.55am \textbf{Medico legal pitfalls in practice}
Dr Joanna Gillham, Consultant Obstetrician and Sub-specialist in Maternal and Fetal Medicine, St Marys Hospital, Manchester

12.30pm \textbf{Q&A}

12.40pm \textbf{Setting the scene; introduction to incident detection, incident investigation and RCA tools}
Miss Louise Page

1.10pm \textit{LUNCH (2 course standing fork lunch)}
Session XV

2.10pm  Interactive workshop – performing an incident investigation, implementing changed and sharing the learning
Miss Louise Page – Lecture Theatre
Dr Joanna Gillham – U4
Dr Nina Johns – U5
Dr Sonia Barnfield – U6
Dr Eamonn Breslin, Consultant Obstetrician / Sub-specialist in Maternal and Fetal Medicine, University Hospitals of Leicester – U7

3.40pm  REFRESHMENTS

Session XVI

4.00pm  How to solve a problem on labour ward – obstetric triage
Dr Nina Johns, Consultant Obstetrician and Clinical Lead for Delivery Suite, Birmingham Women’s Hospital

4.30pm  Unique challenges of consent on the labour ward
Dr Maggie Matthews

4.50pm  Q&A

5.00pm  CLOSE