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Maternity Transformation Programme

Bulletin No.7: 9th April 2020 **Easter Weekend**

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MTP News

Two postnatal leaflets for women have been published this morning on the NHSE/I website:

- [Illness in newborn babies](#)
- [Coronavirus: Parent Information for newborn babies](#)

Please cascade to make available for distribution to mothers and their families

NHS News

Specialty guides for patient management during the coronavirus pandemic

[A Clinical guide for the temporary reorganisation of intrapartum maternity care during the coronavirus pandemic](#) was published today. (9th April)

This was developed at pace in collaboration with the RCM, RCOG, Royal College of Anaesthetists, the Obstetric Anaesthetists Association and maternity service user representatives.

In summary, all the following conditions must be met before trusts suspend intrapartum care options but please read the full guidance highlighted above.

- The available workforce must be either too small or of insufficient skill mix to ensure the safety of women and their babies with services in their current configuration.
- Women must still be able to make decisions about the care they receive in line with the principles of informed consent.
- The withdrawal of services must be temporary and must be clearly communicated to women and their families.
- The extent of the withdrawal of options must be proportionate and tailored to the specific workforce constraints.
- The withdrawal of options must be identified in an escalation plan, which has been agreed by the board-level safety champion, cleared through the organisation's internal governance processes and notified to the NHS England and NHS Improvement regional chief midwife and relevant regional director of nursing as appropriate.
- Other organisations within the LMS and maternity clinical network, including the local ambulance service and the local neonatal operational delivery network, must have been consulted on the escalation plan to ensure that the impact on them is manageable and sufficient capacity remains available in the local area to meet demand.
- The local Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP) service user chair, representing local women and families, must have been involved in the decision-making process.

In General

Celebrate small successes, big successes, jobs done and achievements. Take time for yourself, and time to catch up with friends and family on line this weekend. Lets look after each other.

Aide Memoir – Links to online resources

 Royal College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists	RCOG – Landing Page for all Infection and Pregnancy guidance	Link
 THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF MIDWIVES	RCM - Landing Page for all covid-19 guidance	Link
 GoodSAM	Refer patients for help from NHS Volunteer Responders	Link
 NHS	SBLCBv2: Covid-19 information	Link
	Revised Guidance PPE – from PHE Infographic PPE	Link Link
 NHS	HEE - Landing Page for Covid-19 training programme for health and care workforce	Link
 NHS	NHS Specialty guidance during the pandemic - landing page for all specialties	Link

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