Keeping Mothers and Babies Together in the Maternity Unit at the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital

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Session structure

• Background
  – NICE guidance for early onset sepsis
  – Existing process in QEUH
  – Influencers for Change

• Aims, measures and PDSA testing

• Results to date

• Hurdles and next steps
Who's this at the desk?
Model for Improvement

- What are we trying to accomplish?
- How will we know if a change is an improvement?
- What changes can we make that will result in improvement?

ACT | PLAN
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STUDY | DO

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Aim
To reduce the unnecessary separation between mother and baby immediately following delivery, when the baby is identified as requiring IV antibiotics due to an increased risk of early onset sepsis.
Launch –
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Change Embedded into Clinical Practice

I will do it
I can do it
I'll try to do it
How do I do it?
I want to do it
I can't do it
I won't do it

Which step have you reached today?
"I felt very involved. We had been very worried about the risks of sepsis. We were pleased treatment was started so quickly and my partner was able to take photographs of the cannula to let the rest of the family see what was happening."

"My partner was very tired after delivery but the Doctor asked me if I would help. I really appreciated this. It meant special dad and daughter time."

New Dad

Newly delivered mother
“Keeping mothers and babies together whenever possible supports uninterrupted early skin contact, breastfeeding and promotes early close and loving relationships.”

Infant Feeding Advisor

“It has been really good to be able to keep mothers and babies together at this time and see dads so involved. I am very supportive.”

Labour Ward Midwife
Meet the team
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Thank you for listening

Happy to answer Questions