## **Quality-Based Procedure for Low Risk Birth**

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

- 1) Was consideration made to include place birth, out of hospital births verses hospital births when looking at caesarean section rates and type of provider?

  QBPs are a part of hospital system funding reform and as such focused on hospital births.
- 2) The indications for continuous electronic fetal monitoring are often based on consensus practice rather than evidence based trials showing improved outcomes. Is there an effort by the Provincial Council for Maternal and Child Health (PCMCH) to evaluate the indications for continuous EFM?
  - PCMCH will be undertaking further work to address safer intrapartum care in the province. The full scope of this work is to be determined but this may be considered.
- 3) Level 1 hospitals have a higher risk of low risk women having a primary c section. I work in an area that has level 1 and 2 hospitals. How does this QBP translate into allocation of services? Details regarding funding/resource allocation will be forthcoming from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.
- 4) How do you reconcile all of the studies on induction of labour, especially the recent ones supporting earlier induction at 39 weeks gestation?

  The full details of recent studies, such as the ARRIVE trial, have not yet been fully released so it is
  - difficult to comment further. New evidence, once available, will be assessed with the same rigor as that of currently included evidence and relevant changes will be considered.
- 5) I understand the data only included cephalic presentation, however were there any recommendations for delivering breech presentation?
  - The inclusion cohort was Robson Classification 1 women with a singleton pregnancy which is cephalic. For full cohort details refer to the Clinical Handbook by <u>clicking here</u>.
- 6) How can we engage the family physicians and obstetricians who work in community settings? The QBP includes prenatal and antenatal recommendations so it is very relevant to clinicians who work in the community. They can:
  - View the webinar access it by <u>clicking here</u>.
  - Organize education sessions/ lunch and learn session with the education material developed by PCMCH – access it by <u>clicking here</u>.
  - Join PCMCH's online Community of practice to engage in discussion with other clinicians access it by <u>clicking here</u>.

For all of the documents and resources associated with the Quality-Based Procedure for Low Risk Birth, please visit the PCMCH website by <u>clicking here</u>.

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