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Reducing Stillbirth

Friday 9th June 2023 Virtual Conference

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Prof Jason Gardosi
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“The impact of death or serious health complications suffered as a result of maternity care cannot be underestimated. The impact on the lives of families and loved ones is profound and permanent...Going forward, there can be no excuses, Trust boards must be held accountable for the maternity care they provide.”

The Ockenden Report: Independent Review of maternity services at The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust 30th March 2022

“In 2020, 1 in every 225 pregnancies ended in stillbirth. 2,638 babies were stillborn in 2020 in the UK. The stillbirth rate in England and Wales is 3.8 stillbirths per 1,000 total births. Approximately 7 babies were stillborn every day Croatia, Poland and Czech Republic all have better stillbirth rates than UK.”

Tommy's 2022

“Meeting revised NHS target of 50% reduction in stillbirths by 2025 requires much more work”

Professor Elizabeth Draper, Professor of Perinatal and Paediatric Epidemiology The Infant Mortality and Morbidity Studies Team, University of Leicester & MBRRACE-UK collaborators, May 2021

“There is going to be an updated Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle Version 3 in 2023 – this is likely to incorporate the revised RCOG guidelines for FGR and RFM, and Gestational Diabetes screening and management”

Professor Alex Heazell, Clinical Director Tommy's Stillbirth Research Centre St Mary's Hospital, Manchester, January 2023

“The Leads must ensure that their maternity service is compliant with the recommendations of Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle 2 and subsequent national guidelines.”

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There is wide variation in stillbirth and premature birth rates throughout the UK. This is not due to differences in the characteristics of local populations or a lack of research or clinical guidelines, but is instead a result of variation in the way that guidelines are implemented locally.”

Tommy's November 2021

This conference will include updates on the 2023 Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecology revised guidelines for FGR and RFM, and a session focusing on Gestational Diabetes screening and management which are likely to be featured in version 3 of the SBL care bundle. The March 2023 NHS Delivery Plan for Maternity and Neonatal Services states that

“an updated version of the Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle will be available by 2024...”

It is the responsibility of trusts to implement version 3 of the Saving Babies' Lives Care Bundle by March 2024 and adopt the national MEWS and NEWTT-2 tools by March 2025.”

This conference will enable you to:

- Network with colleagues who are working to deliver best practice in the prevention of stillbirth
- Reflect on the Lived Experience of losing a baby through stillbirth
- Develop a strategy to achieve 50% reductions in stillbirth by 2025
- Reflect and implement the recommendations of the 2022 Ockenden Report relevant to stillbirth
- Update your care processes as a results of the Covid-19 pandemic including working to support pregnant women during Covid-19
- Learn from outstanding practice in delivering the Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle Version 2
- Reflect on national developments and learning from MBRRACE-UK: Mothers and Babies: Reducing Risk through Audits & Confidential Enquiries
- Learn about effective, evidence based strategies for stillbirth prevention
- Improve care and support for women from diverse communities and reduce inequality
- Improve the way you investigate and learn using the National Perinatal Mortality Review Tool
- Understand how you identify and improve the management of risk factors
- Identify key strategies for learning from perinatal mortality reviews at a local level
- Ensure you implementing the latest evidence to reduce Stillbirth as a result of incidents during labour
- Understand how you can better support women and families following stillbirth
- Self assess and reflect on your own practice
- Supports CPD professional development and acts as revalidation evidence. This course provides 5 Hrs training for CPD subject to peer group approval for revalidation purposes

10.00 AM Chair's Welcome and Introduction

Prof Jason Gardosi *Director, Perinatal Institute*

10.10 Improving Practice and Outcome: Impact of a National Stillbirth Prevention Programme

Prof Jason Gardosi

Director
Perinatal Institute

- progress in preventing avoidable deaths
- constructive learning from near-miss cases
- identifying causes, addressing system errors
- equitable tools and care in multi-ethnic populations
- evidence based methods for monitoring fetal growth velocity

10.45 Fetal Growth Restriction: Implementation of Digital Growth Charts in a Tertiary Maternity Unit

Amy Ford & Genevieve Cousineau, *Digital Midwives*

Dr UMBER AGARWAL, *Consultant Obstetrician*
Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust

- integration with the electronic maternity record
- training and educating staff to ensure competence
- our experience in improving outcomes

11.10 A Lived Experience Perspective

David Monteith

Father & Founder
Grace in Action

- a personal story of stillbirth
- what organisations and individuals can do to support women and their families
- additional considerations when contemplating another pregnancy
- delivering information to parents in a non-biased and non-fearful way

11.40 Comfort Break and Virtual Networking

12.00 Learning from Australia: The Safer Baby Bundle

Dr Christine Andrews

Postdoctoral Researcher and National Co-ordinator of the Australian Safer Baby Bundle, Centre of Research Excellence in Stillbirth
University of Queensland, Australia

- the Safer Baby Bundle & Stillbirth Interventions
- practicalities of implementation: what is working and what needs improvement
- learning from the Australian Experience

12.30 Saving Babies Lives: National Developments and Looking Ahead To SBLv3

Professor Alex Heazell

Clinical Director
Tommy's Stillbirth Research Centre St Mary's Hospital, Manchester

- Saving Babies Lives: national update
- learning from the Ockenden Report and implementing recommendations
- develop a strategy to achieve 50% reductions in stillbirth by 2025
- looking ahead to SBLv3 – when can we expect this and what will change?

13.00 Implementing SBLv3 – Discussion led by Jason Gardosi

13.20 Lunch Break & Virtual Networking

14.00 PM Chair

Marc Harder *Head of Bereavement Care & Hospital Liaison, Sands*

14.00 Improving Support For Women and Families Following Stillbirth

Marc Harder

Head of Bereavement Care & Hospital Liaison
Sands

- practicalities and critical elements of the service
- improving maternal mental health and supporting psychological wellbeing after stillbirth
- our experience

14.45 A Human Factors Approach to Preventing Stillbirth

Dr Gabby Bambridge

Consultant Obstetrician & Labour Ward Lead
Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

- changing behaviour, improving team working, flattening the hierarchy, improving communications and developing situational awareness
- the role of human factors in improving patient safety
- our experience

15.15 Comfort Break

15.30 Improving The Screening and Management of Gestational Diabetes

Diane Todd

Diabetes Lead Midwife
University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust

- improving the screening and management of gestational diabetes
- developing the role of the Diabetes Lead Midwife
- improving practice

15.55 Learning from MBRRACE-UK: Mothers and Babies: Reducing Risk Through Audits and Confidential Enquiries Across The UK

Dr Harsha Gowda

Consultant Neonatologist
Heartlands Hospital

- learning from the National Perinatal Mortality Surveillance for Births
- using local MBRRACE-UK data for real time monitoring
- recognising issues of inequality
- an update on the National Perinatal Mortality Review Tool
- implications for practice and maternity care

16.30 A Medico-Legal Perspective on Preventing Still Birth Claims

Sarah Jones and Nivetha Ramachandran

Irwin Mitchell LLP

- ensuring systematic, multidisciplinary, high quality review of care when a stillbirth death occurs
- using the National Perinatal Mortality Review Tool
- involving parents in the review
- ensuring the lessons are learned and shared

17.00 Close

There will be time for Question & Answers after each session

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