





Newsletter 6 - July 2017

Severe Obesity Study Results - an Update

After all your hard work reporting cases and entering data for the Severe Obesity Study last year we understand that you're all keen to hear the results. Rachel presented interim results, based on data entered as of the end of March 2017, at the International Confederation of Midwives Triennial Congress in Toronto on 19th June. She was also pleased to catch up with a few UKMidSS reporters who had also made the journey to Canada.

We are now hard at work completing analysis and writing up the results for publication in an openaccess journal. We aren't able to share any results here as to do so could jeopardise that publication – understandably journals are not keen to publish work which has been 'published' in any form elsewhere. So please bear with us!

In the meantime we are pleased that we have had abstracts accepted to present a poster on results of the Severe Obesity Study at the 12th International Normal Labour and Birth Research Conference in Grange over Sands in early October and at the RCM Annual Conference in Manchester at the end of October. We hope to see some of you there.

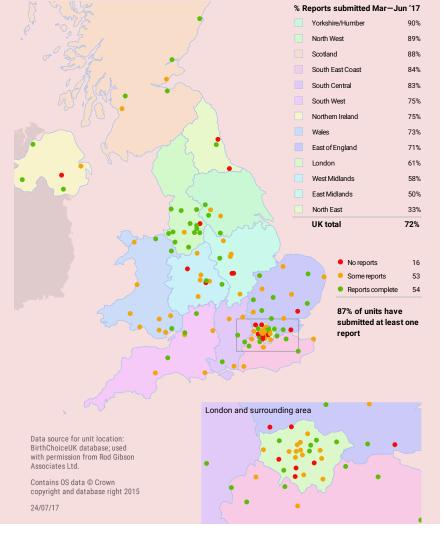
Neonatal Admission Study Reporting

Our familiar map shows all the units contributing to UKMidSS and response to monthly report request emails for March to June. Overall, 87% of units have submitted at least one monthly report for the Neonatal Admission Study. Our regional leaders are Yorkshire and Humber, with a fantastic 90% response rate, followed by North West and Scotland, with 89% and 88% respectively.

Over the page we have listed all our units and how they are doing in terms of monthly reporting.

Are you up to date?





Thank you for sending us your monthly reports for the Neonatal Admission Study:

All reports received:

Acorn Suite, Bedford Hospital

Airedale Birthing Centre

Alongside Maternity Unit, Aberdeen Maternity Hospital

Birth Centre, Darent Valley Hospital Birth Centre, Epsom Hospital

Birth Centre, Northwick Park Hospital

Birth Centre, Wythenshawe Hospital

Birth Place, Medway Maritime Hospital

Birth Unit, Gloucestershire Royal Hospital

Birthing Centre, Simpson Centre, Edinburgh

Birthing Unit, Princess Alexandra Hospital, Harlow

Birthing Unit, Ninewells Hospital, Dundee

Bluebell Birth Centre, North Manchester General Hospital

Bracken Birth Centre, Musgrove Park Hospital Broadlands Birth Centre, Princess Anne Hospital

Brook Birth Centre, Ipswich Hospital

Burnley Birth Centre

Calderdale Birth Centre

Community Maternity Unit, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Paisley

Derby Birth Centre

Eden Suite, Wirral Women and Children's Hospital

Fylde Coast Birth Centre, Victoria Hospital

Home from Home MLU, Royal Surrey County Hospital

Homerton Birth Centre

Lilac Birth Centre, Whipps Cross

Lotus Birth Centre, Royal London Hospital

Lucina Birth Centre, Coventry

Malden Suite, Kingston Hospital

Mendip Birth Suite, Southmead Hospital

Midwife Led Birthing Unit, Peterborough City Hospital

Midwife Led Birth Suite, Royal Bolton Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Glan Clwyd Hospital,

Midwife Led Unit, Leighton Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Lister Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Liverpool Women's Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Jessop Wing

Midwife Led Unit, Wrexham Maelor Hospital

Midwifery Led Unit, Altnagelvin Area Hospital

Midwifery Led Unit, Daisy Hill Hospital, Newry

Midwifery Led Unit, South West Acute Hospital

Midwifery Led Unit, St Mary's Hospital, Manchester Midwifery-Led Birthing Unit, Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital

Midwifery-led Unit, Countess of Chester Hospital

Midwifery-led Unit, Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport

Mulberry Birth Centre, Frimley Park Hospital

Newcastle Birthing Centre, Royal Victoria Infirmary

Preston Birth Centre, Royal Preston Hospital

Queen's Birth Centre, Queen's Hospital, Romford

Rosie Birth Centre, Rosie Hospital

Rushey Birth Centre, Royal Berkshire Hospital

Serenity Birth Centre, City Hospital, Birmingham

Singleton Midwife-led Unit, William Harvey Hospital

Stockport Birth Centre, Stepping Hill Hospital

Willow Suite, Basildon University Hospital

Some reports received:

Abbey Birth Centre, St Peter's Hospital

AMU Midwifery Suite, Ayrshire Maternity Unit

Aylesbury Birth Centre

Barratt Birth Centre, Northampton

Birth Centre, Croydon University Hospital

Birth Centre, Queen Charlotte's and Chelsea Hospital

Birth Centre, Whittington Hospital,

Birth Centre, Nevill Hall Hospital

Birth Centre, North Middlesex Hospital

Birthing Unit, Broomfield Hospital

Birthing Unit, Chelsea and Westminster Hospital

Birthing Unit, East Surrey Hospital

Birthing Unit, West Suffolk Hospital,

Bradford Birth Centre

Bronglais Midwife Led Unit, Aberystwyth

Chesterfield Birth Centre, Chesterfield Royal Hospital

Chichester Birth Centre, St Richard's Hospital,

Dolphin Suite, James Paget University Hospital,

EGA Birth Centre, University College Hospital

Exeter Low Risk Birth Unit, Royal Devon and Exeter

Glangwili Midwife Led Unit, Carmarthen

Greenwich Birth Centre, Queen Elizabeth Hospital

Haven Birthing Suite, Poole Hospital

Heath Birth Centre, Royal Free Hospital,

Home from Home Birth Centre, St Thomas' Hospital

Home from Home Unit, Ulster Hospital,

Mary Rose Birth Centre, Queen Alexandra Hospital

Meadow Birth Centre, Worcestershire Royal Hospital

Midwife Birth Centre, Royal Stoke University Hospital

Midwife led birthing unit, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, King's Lynn

Midwife Led Unit, Hillingdon Hospital, Uxbridge

Midwife Led Unit, Newham Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Russells Hall Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Singleton Hospital, Swansea

Midwife Led Unit, Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy

Midwife Led Unit, Warrington Hospital

Midwife Led Unit, Ysbyty Gwynedd

Midwifery Led Birth Unit, University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff

Midwifery Led Birthing Unit, Luton & Dunstable Hospital

Midwifery Led Unit, New Cross Hospital, Wolverhampton

Midwifery Led Unit, St Michael's Hospital, Bristol

Oasis Birthing Centre, Princess Royal University Hospital

Oxford Spires Midwifery-led Unit, The John Radcliffe Hospital

Pinderfields Birth Centre, Wakefield

Primrose Midwifery-led Birthing Suite, Hinchingbrooke Hospital

Sanctuary Birth Centre, Nottingham University Hospital City Campus

Sanctuary Birth Centre, Nottingham University Hospital QMC Campus

St Mary's Birth Centre, Paddington

St Peter's MLU, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother Hospital

Tair Afon Birth Centre, Prince Charles Hospital

Tirion Birth Centre, Royal Glamorgan Hospital

White Horse Birth Centre, The Great Western Hospital

Willow Suite, Birmingham Heartlands Hospital

No reports received:

Can we ask UKMidSS reporters/Heads of Midwifery from the following units to please get in touch with us ASAP.

Alexandra Birth Centre, Watford General Hospital

Barnet Birth Centre, Barnet Hospital

Birth Centre, Birmingham Women's Hospital

Birth Centre, St Helier Hospital

Carmen Suite, St George's Hospital

Juno Suite, Colchester General Hospital

Lewisham Birth Centre, University Hospital Meadows Birth Centre, Leicester General Hospital

Marton Suite, James Cook University Hospital

Midwife Led Birth Centre, Royal Oldham Hospital

Midwifery-led Unit, Craigavon Area Hospital

New Beginnings, Southend Hospital

Northumbria Birthing Centre, Northumbria SECH

Natural Birth Centre, West Middlesex University Hospital

Orchard Birth Centre, Leicester Royal Infirmary

Wrekin Midwife Led Unit, Princess Royal Hospital

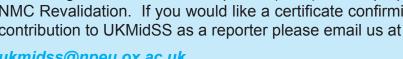
UKMidSS Stars!

Our UKMidSS Stars for April to June have all demonstrated a commitment to complete data entry, resolve queries and generally get things right! **Sian Andrews** from the MLU at Liverpool Women's Hospital takes our award for April for her sterling efforts to complete data entry and resolve data queries for the Severe Obesity Study. In the Exeter Low Risk Birth Unit, Kay Cassidy and Helen Russell have shown a similar steely resolve to track down notes and correct errors. They share our award for May with Gill Perks from the Queen's Birth Centre in Romford. Gill struggled a bit with OpenClinica at first, coming new to the system for the Neonatal Admission Study, but she showed a rare determination not to be beaten and triumphed in the end! Finally, in June another new UKMidSS reporter, Jemma Temple from the Chesterfield Birth Centre, also went the extra mile to correct reporting and data entry errors. All our UKMidSS stars will be receiving a little something from us in the post to say Thanks and well done to all!



UKMidSS and NMC Revalidation

Being a UKMidSS reporter means that you are participating in national audit and research which counts as participatory Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for the purposes of NMC Revalidation. If you would like a certificate confirming your contribution to UKMidSS as a reporter please email us at







Goodbye Piotr!

For the past 18 months most of the computer programming which keeps UKMidSS running behind the scenes has been done by Piotr Kochanski. If things go wrong Piotr has always been there to sort it out, and in the past few weeks he's worked particularly hard making some really important changes to our data collection systems (see page 4). Sadly for us, Piotr is leaving to take some time out from programming and travel the world instead (lucky Piotr!) so we wanted to take this opportunity to say Thank You and Bon Voyage!



Neonatal Admission Study: OpenClinica Changes

Most of you will have noticed that on 14th June we suspended data entry on cases and controls for the Neonatal Admission Study so that we could make some changes behind the scenes in OpenClinica. These have now been completed and you should have received confirmation that you can now continue with data entry in Openclinica.

The changes we have made have resulted in a new look to Section 4 on Labour and Birth Care and a new way of entering information on key dates and times. We now ask you to click on a link in the form in OpenClinica (as you do to enter postcode data) and enter all dates and times in a separate web form (see picture).

Key points to remember:

- Enter times as 24 hour clock in this format hh:mm
- Once you have entered all required dates and times, click Submit
- Please check the durations shown, e.g. length of first and second stage, age of the baby at discharge.
- If an error message occurs it is because there is a problem with the data you have entered.
- Please check and correct any errors, and click Submit again.
- Once you are happy with the data shown, copy the figures in the box into OpenClinica.
- The dates and times you enter into the web form are NOT saved – we only save the information that you copy and paste back into OpenClinica, so it is essential that you check dates and times carefully.

Thank you everyone for your patience over the past few weeks. We understand that it is has been frustrating and it may take a little while to get used to the new system. Our usual email reminders about reporting and data entry will restart shortly, but we completely understand that it may take you a little while to catch up that's absolutely fine!



If you have any questions at all about this or any other aspect of data entry in OpenClinica, please email ukmidss@npeu.ox.ac.uk

or give us a call.



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