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Elsa Montgomery, Catherine Pope, Jane Rogers
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Skye McPhie, Helen Skouteris, Matthew Fuller-Tyszkwiecz, Briony Hill, Felice Jacka, Adrienne O’Neil
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Mieke J. van Veen, Erwin Birmie, Jashvant Poeran, Hanneke W. Torij, Eric A.P. Steegers, Gouke J. Bonsel
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Roxane Agnes Kent, Mariatha Yazbek, Tanya Heyns, Isabel Coetzee
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What do men want from antenatal screening? Findings from an interview study in England
Sandi Dheensa, Prof. Alison Metcalfe, Robert Williams
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Jennifer M. Walsh, Fionnuala M. McAuliffe
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The Fit for Delivery study: rationale for the recommendations and test-retest reliability of a dietary score measuring adherence to 10 specific recommendations for prevention of excessive weight gain during pregnancy
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**A meta-synthesis of fathers’ experiences of their partner’s labour and the birth of their baby**
M. Johansson, J. Fenwick, Å. Premberg
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**Midwives' experiences of the factors that facilitate normal birth among low risk women at a public hospital in Australia**
Mary Carolan-Olah, Gina Kruger, Annette Garvey-Graham
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Carol Bedwell, Linda McGowan, Dame Tina Lavender
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**Assessing birth experience in fathers as an important aspect of clinical obstetrics: How applicable is Salmon’s Item List for men?**
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Jenny Ingram, Debbie Johnson, Marion Copeland, Cathy Churchill, Hazel Taylor
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**Weighing worth against uncertain work: the interplay of exhaustion, ambiguity, hope and disappointment in mothers breastfeeding late preterm infants**
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**Relationship between reflection ability and clinical performance: A cross-sectional and retrospective-longitudinal correlational cohort study in midwifery**
M. Embo, E. Driessen, M. Valcke, C.P.M. van der Vleuten
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**Introducing video recording in primary care midwifery for research purposes: Procedure, dataset, and use**
Evelien R. Spelten, Linda Martin, Janneke T. Gitsels, Monique T.R. Pereboom, Eileen K. Hutton, Sandra van Dulmen
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**Using the five senses of success framework to understand the experiences of midwifery students enrolled in an undergraduate degree program**
M. Sidebotham, J. Fenwick, A. Carter, J. Gamble
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**Midwives’ experiences with mother–infant skin-to-skin contact after a caesarean section: ‘Fighting an uphill battle’**
Sofia Zwedberg, Josefin Blomquist, Emelie Sigerstad
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**Evidence to inform education, training and supportive work environments for midwives involved in the care of women with female genital mutilation: A review of global experience**
Angela Dawson, Sabera Turkmani, Shairon Fray, Susie Nanayakkara, Nesrin Varol, Caroline Homer
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**Exploring health professionals' and women's awareness of models of maternity care evidence**
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Patricia Jarrett

Turning the tide of childbirth: Are we still adrift?
Cathy RogersRose VillarJoan Harman

Supervisory investigation as part of the wider risk management process
Chrissie Hastings

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Alison Power

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News items

From RCM News:

- Seen as minor illness but can have serious consequences says RCM on chickenpox and pregnancy guidelines
  21 January, 2015
  Today the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists has published a revised guideline on chickenpox in pregnancy.
- SIDS report highlights importance of midwives
  20 January, 2015
  The first collaborative report on sudden unexpected death in infancy (SIDS) in Wales has highlighted the important role of midwives in its prevention.
- Proposed Scottish plans to provide free vitamins
  19 January, 2015
Pregnant women and children under five in Scotland could be given free vitamins to improve health rates in new plans by the Scottish Government.

- **Education time limit consultation open**
  16 January, 2015
  The NMC has launched a consultation to remove time limits for the completion of education programmes.

- **Further education scholarship available for midwives**
  16 January, 2015
  Research funding for midwives is now available from the Barbers' Company Clinical Nursing Scholarship.

- **Ethnic background and night-shift work increase diabetes risk**
  15 January, 2015
  Black midwives who work night shifts have an increased risk of developing diabetes compared to black women who do not, a study has shown.

- **Ebola makes obstetric care ‘deeply challenging’**
  14 January, 2015
  Providing obstetric care during an ebola epidemic is ‘deeply challenging’, according to two commentaries published today (14 January).

- **RCM conference competition winner**
  14 January, 2015
  A community midwife has won a prize from Lansinoh and Sunderland Health Group after entering a competition at the RCM conference.

- **Birth defect effects on parents’ stress levels**
  13 January, 2015
  Craniofacial birth defect has little effect on new parents’ stress, researchers have found.

- **NMC exceeds fitness-to-practise target**
  12 January, 2015
  The NMC has exceeded its target of getting 90% of cases to a hearing within six months of referral from the investigating committee.

- **Risk factors for direct maternal deaths revealed**
  09 January, 2015
  Medical co-morbidities were found to be the most important factor associated with direct maternal deaths in the UK, according to new research.

- **More midwives may make a difference says RCM on maternal death research**
  09 January, 2015
  Today *BJOG: An International Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology* has published a study on maternal deaths related to pregnancy and childbirth which has found that when women have one or more medical conditions, it is an important factor associated with direct maternal...

- **MP highlights Group B Strep rate rise**
08 January, 2015
Failure to prevent the rise of deadly infection in newborn babies has prompted a Conservative MP to call for action.

RCM concerned at Weston maternity unit closure due to A&E pressures
08 January, 2015
Commenting on media reports that some mothers-to-be from Weston...

Call the Midwife pulls in viewers
07 January, 2015
*Call the Midwife* was the second most watched programme on Christmas day, consolidated viewing figures show.

Apply for NMC council
05 January, 2015
The NMC is seeking to appoint two midwives or nurses to join its governing council from 1 May.

Screening changes confirmed
01 January, 2015
Every newborn baby in England will be screened for four rare inherited metabolic diseases (IMDs) from 5 January, Public Health England has confirmed.

‘Prenatal hormone change in men’
31 December, 2014
Expectant farthers experience prenatal hormone changes, according to the results of a study.

‘NHS needs to be more mobile friendly’
23 December, 2014
The NHS has failed to keep apace with its increasingly mobile savvy patients, according to a new study.

Smoking with children in car ban
29 December, 2014
New legislation is set to come into force that will prohibit smoking in cars with children.

‘More mental health support needed’
24 December, 2014
Updated guidelines from NICE state that women who have experience of, or are at risk of, mental health problems should get extra support before, during and after their pregnancy.

Antibiotic guidance for newborns
23 December, 2014
NICE has issued new guidance on the use of antibiotics to prevent and treat infections in newborn babies.

FGM reports rise, stats show
22 December, 2014
FGM cases have risen dramatically in some parts of the UK, according to the latest figures from the Health and Social Care Information Centre.
Evidence updates


Baby Friendly Initiative News

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

A selection of presentations from the 2014 annual conference are now available on our website

See presentations <http://www.unicef.org.uk/BabyFriendly/Health-Professionals/Conferences/Past-conferences/>

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Conferences

Baby Friendly, in partnership with Bliss, the special care baby charity, will be holding our first Neonatal conference: Taking neonatal care to the next level. This one day conference will take place

On: 19th May 2015
At: Royal Institution, London

Tickets: £95 per person. Please book online, or fill in and return our order form, along with payment, to bfi@unicef.org.uk.

This event will highlight the importance of breastfeeding for sick and vulnerable babies, and will offer insights into the great benefits of developmental care in neonatal settings.

- Hear from global experts in the field: Nils Bergman, Paula Meier, Shoo Lee*
- Explore Baby Friendly standards of care for neonatal services
- Learn more about the Bliss Baby Charter standards
- Hear about examples of good practice from across the UK

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