

# Ockenden Report Immediate and Essential Actions



#### **Background:**



The Ockenden Report was an important report that was done in December 2020. It said that all NHS Maternity Services needed to make 7 changes to their services.



The 7 changes were **essential** (they had to be done) and they needed to be done **immediately** (straight away/quickly) These were called Immediate and Essential Actions (IEA's).



These changes will make Maternity services better and safer for babies and families.

# What have we done?



We have started to make the **7 changes** to Nottinghamshire NHS Maternity Services.

We are holding meetings to make sure everyone understands the changes, these meetings are called:

- Ockenden Review Panels
- Ockenden Assurance Meetings

Ockenden Assurance Meetings have people from local maternity services and the Maternity Voices Partnership (MVP).

### Meetings:



#### **Ockenden Review Panels**

We have 4 meetings a year to make sure the changes are being done.

These meetings are called **Ockenden Review Panels**.



#### **Ockenden Assurance Meetings**

We also have a meeting every month.

These are called **Ockenden Assurance Meetings.** 

This is what we have done so far...



# 1. Listening to you

It is important that we listen to all patients and families.

This helps us to learn and to make good changes to our service.

### **Our Plan**



We want to listen to you.



We want to make sure **fathers and partners** are included in conversations and care.

#### What have we done?

We learnt that people felt like they were not being listened to.

We are working better to help listen to you and have got **more people to help us do this.** 

### What happens next?



We have still got lots to do and we will keep working hard on this.



We need to make sure **you and your families** are being **listened to** and we have new staff to help us do this.



# 2. Making things safer

When something goes wrong during pregnancy or births it is called a Serious Incident.

Every serious incident has to be investigated by a team of experts who must work together.

# Our Plan



We will set up a special team to investigate Serious Incidents.



The team must share **everything they learn** with the Local Maternity and Neonatal System (LMNS Board).



This information will be shared with **Nottingham NHS Services** to make things safer.

### What have we done?



We have started working together with teams and we are learning from Serious Incidents.



### What happens next?



We will **use what we have learnt to help us understand** more about what people need when giving birth.



We want everyone to be safe and happy during their pregnancy and birth.



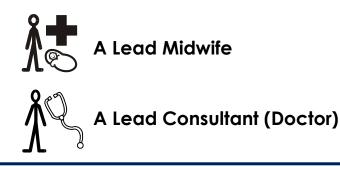
# 3. Checking that your baby is well

While you are pregnant you will have lots of appointments.

This is to make sure your baby is safe and growing well.

# Our Plan

We now have **special staff** who are in charge of making sure your baby is growing well, these include:



## What have we done?



NUH (Nottingham University Hospitals) and Sherwood Forest Hospitals now have these **special staff** in place.

# What happens next?



All staff will have more training to check your baby is safe and growing well.



The **Midwife and Consultant will try to help if something is wrong** with you or your baby during pregnancy.



We want everyone to be safe and happy during pregnancy and birth.



# 4. Making plans for Complex Pregnancies

Sometimes women and people giving birth need extra help and care during their pregnancy, this is called a **Complex Pregnancy**.

In a Complex Pregnancy there are more things that could go wrong.

#### **Our Plan**

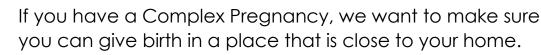


We have learnt ways to help women and people giving birth if they have a complex pregnancy.



All the services will work together to make sure you can give birth in a place that is **safe for you and your baby**.

#### What have we done?



All services will work together to do this.

### What happens next?



All hospitals are working together to make sure you and your baby are safe during birth.



We will **keep working hard to make things better** in our Neonatal services.



This service helps to look after babies that are born early or have extra care needs.



# 5. Risk Assessment in Pregnancy

Midwives and Doctors want to keep you and your baby safe. They will talk to you about how they want to do this. This is called a **Risk Assessment**.

We want to make sure your risk assessment is **right for you**. This will be checked at all of your pregnancy appointments.

# Our Plan

Midwives will work with you and your family to make a plan for when you give birth, this includes:



Where you want to give birth

How

How you want to be cared for

### What have we done?

We have worked hard to make sure you have a **good risk** assessment plan for you and your baby.

We have a **new computer system** for your risk assessment and pregnancy records.

This information will be **stored safely.** It will only be seen by staff during your appointments and the birth.

### What happens next?



We are **developing a new website** where you can find more information about our service.



The website will be clear and easy to use.



# 6. Staff Training and Working Together

Staff who work together must train together.

# Our Plan



Make sure staff know how to look after you and your family while you are pregnant and giving birth.



This will help to keep everybody safe.

#### What have we done?

We have been making sure all staff **learn the right things** about pregnancy and birth.

We will keep helping staff to learn what they need to know.

Wherever you are being cared for, we will make sure **you feel** supported.

### What happens next?

We want to make sure everyone gets what they need, this includes:

- Women and people giving birth
- People from all communities
  - Fathers, Partners and Families



# 7. Giving you information

We want to make sure that you can get the right information about your care.

It is important that you can **understand the information** given to you while you are pregnant. Then you will be able to make choices about:

- Where you will give birth
- How you want to give birth

# Our Plan

We are working on our website to make sure it has information that is:



- Correct
- Clear and easy to find
- Available in different languages

### What have we done?



We are trying to make sure **all information** on our website is available in **different languages**.

We have made a **new app (Badger Notes)** for you to get information about you and your baby.

**Badger Notes App Tour - YouTube** 

#### What happens next?

We are **always learning** about how you would like to get your information. This can be through:





- Leaflets
- Online
- App (Badger Notes)





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