Clinical Pathways:
Maternity Services

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1. Pathway for Pregnant Woman – Low Risk

Referral process: GP, EPAS, Direct Access, Fertility

Midwife booking at MLU/Health Centre/Children’s Centre

Woman identified as Low risk

Lead professional: Midwife Support from: GP/Obs team

Low risk Antenatal care

Care Assessed: MLU Children’s Centre Health Centre GP practice Screening Scanning

Low risk intrapartum care

Home MLU

Low risk postnatal care

Home MLU Children’s Centre GP Health Centre

Additional Support: Community Midwife MLU 24/7 telephone advice Day Assessment at MLU / Health Centre / Children’s Centre Lactation Consultant Midwifery Supervision
2a. Pathway for Intrapartum and Postnatal Related Complications at MLU/home – Maternal Complications

- Maternal complications
  - Deviation from normal during admission assessment
  - Deviation from normal during first stage
  - Complications during second stage
  - Complications during third stage
  - Complications during Postnatal period

- Discuss findings
  - Inform Consultant Unit

- Take immediate action if Necessary (IV access, Bloods, give oxygen)
  - Discuss findings and Inform Consultant unit
  - Arrange transfer with Paramedic and Midwife

- PRH Consultant Labour Ward

- Baby
  - Transfer via separate ambulance or car
2b. Pathway for Labour Related Complications at MLU/Home – Neonatal Complications

**Neonatal complications**

- **Unexpected ill neonate at delivery**
  - Take immediate, appropriate resuscitation and stabilisation. Inform NNU / on call medical team / Consultant Unit / ambulance service arrange transfer with paramedics and Midwife, x2 ambulances for transfer

- **Non urgent neonatal abnormality apparent**
  - Inform NNU, Action as advised +/- paramedic, +/- Midwife, x2 ambulance transfer

**Mother**

- **Transfer to the consultant Unit either by separate ambulance or car**

**PRH NNU**

**Consultant Postnatal Ward**

**OPD Follow up**

**Transitional Care**
3a. Pathway for Intrapartum and postnatal Related Complications at Wrekin MLU – Maternal Complications

Maternal complications

- Deviation from normal during admission assessment
- Deviation from normal during first stage
- Complications during second stage
- Complications during third stage
- Complications during Postnatal period

Discuss findings
Inform Consultant Unit

Take immediate action if Necessary (IV access, Bloods, give oxygen)
Discuss findings and Inform Consultant unit
Arrange transfer most appropriate for patient: wheelchair, internal transfer on bed or with Paramedic and Midwife

No time for transfer
Deliver alongside MLU with +/- Consultant Support

PRH Consultant Labour Ward

Baby

Transfer via separate ambulance or car
3b. Pathway for Labour Related Complications at Wrekin MLU – Neonatal Complications

### Neonatal complications

- **Unexpected ill neonate at delivery**
  - Take immediate, appropriate resuscitation and stabilisation
  - Inform NNU / Consultant Unit/ambulance service
  - Neonatal Unit to assist on MLU
  - Arrange Transfer
  - PRH NNU

- **Non urgent neonatal abnormality apparent**
  - Inform NNU, Action as advised
  - Neonatal Unit to assist on MLU
  - Arrange Transfer
  - Transitional Care

- **Mother**
  - Transfer to the Consultant Unit
  - Consultant Postnatal Ward

### OPD Follow up
4. Pathway for Pregnant Woman – High Risk

Referral process: GP, EPAS, Direct Access, Fertility

Midwife booking at MLU/Health Centre/Children's Centre

Triage Midwife review NOP

High risk Antenatal care

Consultant antenatal OPD RSH/PRH/ Ludlow/Oswestry
Specialist clinics MDT clinics

Specialist advice: Diabetic Team/Mental Health/Drug Liaison/ Help2Quit/Safeguarding Domestic violence/ TIMS

Home OR Day Assessment at RSH/PRH or ? Oswestry, Ludlow, Welshpool, Bridgnorth Scanning

Home 28 days postnatal Community Midwife support +/- postnatal Consultant clinics

Additional Support: Community Midwife MLU 24/7 telephone advice Day Assessment at MLU / Health Centre / Children’s Centre Lactation Consultant Midwifery Supervision

High Risk Intrapartum Care

Consultant Antenatal Ward PRH

Consultant Delivery Suite PRH

Inutero transfer out (to alternative unit)

High Risk Postnatal Care

Consultant Delivery Suite PRH

PRH Consultant Postnatal Ward Neonatal: Transitional Care/ NNU Maternal: Consultant Labour Unit/HDU/ITU

MLU at PRH or RSH/Ludlow/ Oswestry/ Bridgnorth

Home 28 days postnatal Community Midwife support +/- postnatal Consultant clinics

Shared Care Consultant/ Midwife/GP/ Specialist advice as required