

Board of Directors' Meeting 6 May 2021

Agenda item	105/21			
Report	The Ockenden Progress Report			
Executive Lead	Director of Nursing			
	Link to strategic pillar:		Link to CQC domain:	
	Our patients and community	√	Safe	√
	Our people	√	Effective	√
	Our service delivery	√	Caring	√
	Our partners	√	Responsive	√
	Our governance	√	Well Led	√
	Report recommendations:		Link to BAF / risk:	
	For assurance	√	BAF 1 BAF 2 BAF 8	
	For decision / approval		Link to risk register:	
	For review / discussion		CRR 16	
	For noting		CRR 18	
	For information		CRR 19	
	For consent		CRR 23 CRR 27 CRR 31	
Presented to:				
Dependent upon (if applicable):				
Executive summary:	<p>This report presents an update to the Trust's Ockenden Report Action Plan and other related matters.</p> <p>The Board of Directors is requested to note:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This report, and the Ockenden Report Action Plan at Appendix One • The Ockenden Report Action Plan Exception Reports are provided at Appendix Two 			
Appendices	<p>Appendix One: Ockenden Report Action Plan at 23rd April 2021 Appendix Two: Ockenden Report Action Plan – Exception Reports</p>			

1. Purpose of this Report

- 1.1 This report presents an update on all 52 actions in the Trust's Ockenden Report¹ Action Plan since the last meeting of the Board of Directors in Public on 8th April 2021. In addition, updates are provided in relation to other related matters.

2. The Ockenden Report (Independent Maternity Review - IMR)

- 2.1. The Board of Directors received the first Ockenden Report - Emerging Findings and Recommendations from the Independent Review of Maternity Services at Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust; Our First Report following 250 Clinical Reviews, at its meeting in public on 7th January 2021.
- 2.2. The report sets out the following actions for the Trust to implement:
- 2.2.1. Twenty-seven Local Actions for Learning (LAFL), which are specific 'Must Do' actions for this Trust, and;
- 2.2.2. Seven Immediate and Essential Actions (IEA) for all NHS providers of maternity care, which apply to this Trust, also. These seven themes comprise 25 related actions.
- 2.2.3. In total, there are 52 specific actions for the Trust to implement.
- 2.3. All of the Ockenden actions (LAFL and IAE's) have been cross-referenced to the Trust's Maternity Transformation Plan, which now includes The Maternity Improvement Plan, as workstream 6.
- 2.4. The latest version of the first Ockenden Report Action Plan is presented at **Appendix One** for the Board's consideration (Note: Glossary and Index are at the back of the plan).
- 2.5. The March 2021 version of this report described a number of actions that were awaiting review to determine if their delivery and/or progress statuses could change. The Board of Directors will recall that all actions now need to go through a more robust testing and challenge process to determine the final ratings. In line with the transition over to the new maternity governance and assurance structure and whilst this settles in, two extraordinary meetings of a subset membership of the former Maternity Quality Operational Committee were convened to review these actions. This included Mr Bristlin, the Non-Executive Director lead for Maternity.
- 2.6. During April 2021, there have been a number of changes to the progress and delivery statuses of many actions; the majority of these being positive, but with four actions now off track, also. These are now explained.

3. STATUS OF REQUIRED ACTIONS

- 3.1. The 'Delivery Status' position of each of the 52 actions as at 23 April 2021 is summarised in the following table. This shows a much improved position overall, with 15 actions moving from 'Not Yet Delivered' to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' status:

	Total Number of Actions	Not Yet Delivered		Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced		Evidenced and Assured
		March	April	March	April	
LAFL	27	24	15	3	12	0
IEA	25	23	17	2	8	0
Total	52	47	32 (improved by 15)	5	20 (improved by 15)	0

¹ www.gov.uk/official-documents. (2010) Ockenden Report – Emerging Findings and Recommendations from the Independent Review of Maternity Services at Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust; Our First Report following 250 Clinical Reviews.

- 3.2. The ‘**Progress Status**’ position of each action as at 23 April 2021 is summarised in the following table, which shows that 45 actions remain ‘on-track’ but with four actions now ‘off track’:

	Total Number of Actions	Not Started	Off Track (see exception report)		At Risk (see exception report)		On Track		Completed
			March	April	March	April	March	April	
LAFI	27	0	0	2	0	0	27	25	0
IEA	25	3	0	2	0	0	22	20	0
Total	52	3	0	4 (det.* by 4)	0	0	49	45 (det.* by 4)	0

*deteriorated

- 3.3. Three actions that have not yet started and these are dependent on factors external to the organisation before they can be addressed fully and properly. These all relate to the Trust being a single-organisation Local Maternity and Neonatal System (LMNS) and, also, about what should be reported to the LNMS Board going forward. The Chief Executive and Director of Nursing are leading on this with the LMNS and NHS Midlands regional office.

- 3.4. There are four actions that are ‘not yet delivered’ and are now ‘off track’. The exception reports that provide more detail on each of these are attached at **Appendix Two**, for information. However, in summary, these are:

- 3.4.1. **LAFI 4.65** – *The maternity service must appoint a dedicated Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician both with demonstrated expertise to focus on and champion the development and improvement of the practice of bereavement care within maternity services at the Trust.*

There is the need for additional posts to be in place before this action can be met fully. These form part of the overall maternity business case that is under consideration. Interim arrangements are in place in the meantime.

- 3.4.2. **LAFI 4.98** – *There must be clearly documented early consultation with a neonatal intensive care unit (often referred to as tertiary units) for all babies born on a local neonatal unit who require intensive care.*

There is an apparent contradiction between the requirement as expressed in the Ockenden Report, and current national and network guidance (from BAPM - the British Association of Perinatal Medicine). Attempts are being made to seek clarification on this.

- 3.4.3. **IEA 1.6** – *All maternity SI reports (and a summary of the key issues) must be sent to the Trust Board and at the same time the LMS for scrutiny, oversight and transparency. This must be done every 3 months.*

Consideration is being given as to how best to do this in order to ensure the best balance between openness, transparency and retaining patient confidentiality. In addition, the Trust is looking to see how other organisations do this before concluding.

- 3.4.4. **IEA 7.2** – *women must be enabled to participate equally in all decision making processes and to make informed choices about their care.*

This actions requires greater consultation with service users, the Maternity Voices Partnership, and Workstream 5 of the Maternity Transformation Plan – Communications and Engagement. Dr Mei-See Hon, Clinical Director is taking over as the leader for this workstream, which should ensure that greater traction is made going forward.

- 3.5. There is a need to review the expected delivery dates for some of the first Ockenden Report actions. This is for a number of reasons, including:
- An enthusiasm to deliver the required actions as soon as possible. This seems to have been slightly over-ambitious for some of the actions.
 - The Trust now has a deeper understanding of all of the actions and the supportive 'sub actions' for each. Therefore, there is more work than anticipated originally. The team is clear that these actions all need to be delivered fully and thoroughly.
 - There are some resource issues that need to be addressed. A lot of the actions require audit evidence to provide evidence and assurance of sustainability. An assessment of the full audit requirement and how this will be addressed is underway
 - Some factors outside the control of the Trust. E.g. the single LNMS issue.
 - The implementation of the Badgernet patient information system will help to provide much of the required evidence going forward but it is not in place yet.

Work will take place during May to try and provide more realistic delivery dates and, also, to populate all required dates on the action plan.

- 3.6. In summary, good progress is being made with the action plan overall, and the governance and assurance around this is becoming more robust and clearer. In addition, the first meeting of the Maternity Transformation and Assurance Committee (MTAC) took place on Thursday 22nd April 2021, which has replaced the former Maternity Quality Operational Committee MQOC). MTAC will undertake this work going forward

4. An update on actions from the Board Of Directors' meeting in Public on 8th April 2021

4.1. IEA Return to NHS Midlands on delivery of the Immediate and Essential Actions

4.1.1. The Trust made the required submission to NHSE/I on 12th February 2021 prior to the required deadline of 15th February. This provided the Trust's status against all of the Immediate and Essential Actions.

4.1.2. From this information, the Trust has received a benchmarking report from NHSE/I Midlands. Early indicators are that this places the Trust in a reasonably positive position overall in terms of delivering against these actions.

4.1.3. A meeting was held on Friday 23rd April with the NHS Midlands Perinatal/Regional Team and an LMNS representative, to discuss this report. Essentially, the IEA submission that was made on 12th February was described as a 'line in the sand' upon which to base future work, especially as things have moved on since then.

4.1.4. Essentially, all NHS providers of maternity care are required to upload all evidence against the seven Immediate and Essential Actions to a central portal during May 2021 (date yet to be confirmed). In June 2021, a meeting with the Trust, the regional team, the Integrated Care System and the LMNS will take place to review this evidence and determine any next steps. In addition, a list of minimum levels of acceptable evidence is being produced and this will be circulated to Trusts in due course.

4.1.5. The Board of Directors will be advised of anything of significance arising from this work.

4.2. Patient/Family Engagement

4.2.1. The Terms of Engagement with the Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch (HSIB) are in the process of being finalised. HSIB and the Trust are now working on the background information that is necessary to build the options for the engagement strategy.

4.3. External Expert Advisory Panel (EEAP)

4.3.1. A meeting has been arranged with the members of the EEAP and the Trust's Chair, CEO, Director of Nursing, Independent Governance Adviser and the Programme Director for Maternity Assurance on 18th May. The aim of this is to re-launch the relationship and expectations of both parties.

4.4. Workforce Plan, Including Birthrate Plus Assessment

4.4.1. The Trust has received the final Birthrate Plus report from the audit that was undertaken in 2020. It was hoped to bring the results from this to this meeting. However, for unavoidable reasons, the analysis of this has not yet been completed. It is anticipated that this will be presented to the Board of Directors in June 2021.

5. Ockenden Report Assurance Committee (ORAC)

The second Ockenden Report Assurance Committee took place on Thursday 22nd April 2021. The Chair will discuss this committee in her report at today's meeting.

6. Summary

Progress continues to be made against the required actions from the first Ockenden Report (2020), and this work continues at pace.

7. Action Required of the Board Of Directors

The Board of Directors is requested to note:

- This report, and the Ockenden Report Action Plan at **Appendix One**
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Executive Director of Nursing

May 2021

Appendices:

Appendix One: Ockenden Report Action Plan at 23rd April 2021

Appendix Two: Ockenden Report Action Plan – Exception Reports

LOCAL ACTIONS FOR LEARNING (LAFL): The learning and action points outlined here are designed to assist The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust with making immediate and significant improvements to the safety and quality of their maternity services.

LAFL Ref	Action required	Linked to associated plans (e.g. MIP / MTP)	Start Date	Due Date (action in place)	Delivery Status	Progress Status	Status Commentary (This Period)	Actual Completion Date	Date to be evidenced by	Date evidenced by	Lead Executive	Accountable Person	Location of Evidence
Local Actions for Learning Theme 1: Maternity Care													
4.54	A thorough risk assessment must take place at the booking appointment and at every antenatal appointment to ensure that the plan of care remains appropriate.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Revised risk assessment form introduced (at booking); audit pending. Consider making risk assessment mandatory field in Medway (and Badgernet). Handheld notes include planned place of delivery and risk category (at each appt), but audit needed to confirm this. MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided, including booking guideline, risk assessment proforma and Clinical Referral Team process, was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced'.	31/01/21	30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.55	All members of the maternity team must provide women with accurate and contemporaneous evidence-based information as per national guidance. This will ensure women can participate equally in all decision making processes and make informed choices about their care. Women's choices following a shared decision making process must be respected.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Ongoing antenatal care pathway development under way. Videos and leaflets available plus BabyBuddy app. Access to/utilisation of these needs to be determined. Key info also provided in handheld notes. Method to be introduced to confirm mother's understanding / receipt of info. MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided, including information videos, virtual ward tours, online antenatal classes, the new Personalised Care and Support Plan (co-produced with the MVP) and Place of Birth Choice leaflet, was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced'.	22/04/21	30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.56	The maternity service at The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust must appoint a dedicated Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician both with demonstrated expertise to focus on and champion the development and improvement of the practice of fetal monitoring. Both colleagues must have sufficient time and resource in order to carry out their duties.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Named obstetrician and midwife in place as leads for fetal monitoring. Long term resourcing to be secured and confirmation of appropriate training to be evidenced.		31/08/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.57	These leads must ensure that the service is compliant with the recommendations of Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle 2 (2019) and subsequent national guidelines. This additionally must include regional peer reviewed learning and assessment. These auditable recommendations must be considered by the Trust Board and as part of continued on-going oversight that has to be provided regionally by the Local Maternity System (LMS) and Clinical Commissioning Group.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Dedicated SBL project midwife in post, progress against Saving Babies' Lives (SBL) v2 monitored within scope of Maternity Transformation Plan (MTP). Peer review to be undertaken with Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (SFH). Plan to lead on the development of a West Midlands dashboard and database of good practice for SBL.		15/07/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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4.58	Staff must use NICE Guidance (2017) on fetal monitoring for the management of all pregnancies and births in all settings. Any deviations from this guidance must be documented, agreed within a multidisciplinary framework and made available for audit and monitoring.	Y	10/12/20	30/04/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	FIGO (International Federation of Gynaecology and Obstetrics) guidelines implemented (as opposed to NICE and supported by NHSI/E improvement advisor in 2020) SATH Fetal Monitoring guideline, approved by the Clinical Network, recommends that there should be further internal review given the action for the report. This is being progressed. MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided, including an approval record from the Clinical Network of SaTH's fetal monitoring guideline and re-approval by the Quality Operational Committee and QSAC, was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced'.	22/04/21	30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.59	The maternity department clinical governance structure and team must be appropriately resourced so that investigations of all cases with adverse outcomes take place in a timely manner.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Review of Governance team structure underway.		30/09/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.60	The maternity department clinical governance structure must include a multidisciplinary team structure, trust risk representation, clear auditable systems of identification and review of cases of potential harm, adverse outcomes and serious incidents in line with the NHS England Serious Incident Framework 2015.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Review of Governance team structure underway.		30/09/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.61	Consultant obstetricians must be directly involved and lead in the management of all complex pregnancies and labour.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	All women with complex pregnancies are seen by an obstetrician, but an audit is required. MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided, including the revised risk assessment proforma (used at booking), and the CRT Referral Process, was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced', with a formal audit to follow.	22/04/21	31/05/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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4.62	There must be a minimum of twice daily consultant-led ward rounds and night shift of each 24 hour period. The ward round must include the labour ward coordinator and must be multidisciplinary. In addition the labour ward should have regular safety huddles and multidisciplinary handovers and in-situ simulation training.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Consultant ward rounds at 08:30 and 20:30 in place 7 days per week since September 2019, handover sheets in place, weekly MDT in-situ simulation training in place.</p> <p>Liaison with Anaesthesia department required to ensure inclusion on rounds (see section 'Obstetrics Anaesthesia'). Current simulation training package under review.</p> <p>MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided, including examples of obstetric handover sheets, an small audit of the handover run-rate, an example of the safety huddle attendance record, evidence of anaesthetist representatives attending ward rounds, planned purchase of PROMPT sim equipment to be held on wards for in-situ training, and evidence (design and feedback sheets, with attendance records to follow) of regular multi-disciplinary team simulation training was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced', with a follow-up check including attendance records to follow.</p>	22/04/21	30/06/21			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.63	Complex cases in both the antenatal and postnatal wards need to be identified for consultant obstetric review on a daily basis.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Currently achieved.</p> <p>Need to be able to provide on-going evidence, Retrospective audit of notes and ongoing audit to be conducted.</p> <p>MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided (completed obstetric handover sheets) was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced', but noted that they would need to see the new handover sheet that is being introduced to add greater control and oversight, and the results of a formal audit, before it can be accepted as 'evidenced and assured'.</p>	22/04/21	30/06/21			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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4.64	The use of oxytocin to induce and/or augment labour must adhere to national guidelines and include appropriate and continued risk assessment in both first and second stage labour. Continuous CTG monitoring is mandatory if oxytocin infusion is used in labour and must continue throughout any additional procedure in labour.	Y	10/12/20	30/04/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Current guideline regarding use of oxytocin is in line with national guidance, including continuous CTG monitoring. 'Fresh eyes' initiative and regular reviews by obstetricians is in place Guideline to be enhanced beyond required standards, e.g. 4 hourly review by doctor if oxytocin is being used. Standard operating process for documentation of obstetric reviews to be developed. MTAC agreed on 22/04/2021 that the evidence provided (demonstration of use of stickers to show continuous monitoring is carried out, and the preliminary findings of a snap audit of 12 case notes to show continuous monitoring, including during insertion of epidural was being carried out) was sufficient to move this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced', but outlined a requirement for a full, formal audit (number of cases tbc) as the next step for evidencing	22/04/21	30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.65	The maternity service must appoint a dedicated Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician both with demonstrated expertise to focus on and champion the development and improvement of the practice of bereavement care within maternity services at the Trust.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Not Yet Delivered	Off Track (see exception report)	Two bereavement midwives in place. Business case submitted for additional 90 hrs of consultant time for delivery of bereavement care. Need to appointment obstetrician to co-lead on bereavement care. At their meeting on 22/04/2021, MTAC found this action has not yet been delivered, because the business case has not yet been approved (though they have seen the document itself). They noted that an appropriate guideline (Fetal Loss and Early Neonatal Death) is in place and appropriately experienced midwives are in place, and that the consultants are providing bereavement care. However, for this service to be consistent and fully optimised, the committee need to see the protected consultant time / appointment - this must also show service user representation in the selection of candidates. An exception report has been provided: new agreed delivery date tbc.		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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4.66	The Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician must adopt and implement the National Bereavement Care Pathway.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	<p>Bereavement pathway adopted partially and commitment in place to embed it fully.</p> <p>Implemented the maternity bereavement experience measure.</p> <p>SANDS (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society) online training modules mandated for clinical staff, which will need to be evidenced over time. SANDS review scheduled for Feb 2021.</p>		31/08/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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Local Actions for Learning Theme 2: Maternal Deaths														
4.72	The Trust must develop clear Standard Operational Procedures (SOP) for junior obstetric staff and midwives on when to involve the consultant obstetrician. There must be clear pathways for escalation to consultant obstetricians 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Adherence to the SOP must be audited on an annual basis.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Escalation policy already in place. Updated November 2020 to describe situations where Consultants must be in attendance. Process in place to assess competencies of all middle grade doctors, not just O&G trainees.</p> <p>Compliance with escalation process to be audited.</p> <p>At their meeting on 22/04/2021, MTAC approved status to be 'delivered, not yet evidenced' based on the escalation process poster that is displayed on the wards. The next wish to see the completed guidelines / SOP document, and an audit of adherence.</p>	22/04/21	30/06/21			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.73	Women with pre-existing medical co-morbidities must be seen in a timely manner by a multidisciplinary specialist team and an individual management plan formulated in agreement with the mother to be. This must include a pathway for referral to a specialist maternal medicine centre for consultation and/or continuation of care at an early stage of the pregnancy.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	<p>The risk assessment process at booking has been redesigned with an early referral for women with pre-existing medical conditions. These women are seen in multi-disciplinary clinics. Where there is not a relevant MDT clinic they are seen by an Obstetrician with an interest in maternal medicine for assessment and referral to a local or tertiary Physician.</p> <p>The development of specialist Maternal Medicine Centres is a National priority that is being led by each Clinical Network. In the West Midlands; the centre is yet to be determined but will not be SaTH. This is not within the control of SaTH to determine timescales for implementation.</p> <p>A business case has been submitted to allow the appointment of a Maternal Medicine Lead Obstetrician. Relevant guidelines to be reviewed to formalise local and tertiary referral processes, supported by on-going engagement with the Clinical Network</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon		

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4.74	There must be a named consultant with demonstrated expertise with overall responsibility for the care of high risk women during pregnancy, labour and birth and the post-natal period.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Complex antenatal and postnatal inpatients are identified at the morning and evening Delivery Suite handovers 7 days a week. This information is recorded on the handover sheets. The on call consultant attends the antenatal ward round daily to conduct a ward round along with the Tier 2 doctor. They also attend the postnatal ward to review any women identified as complex. This will be evidenced by an attendance audit and through auditing the information on the handover sheets.</p> <p>Further clarity to be sought of specifics of this requirement i.e.: what constitutes demonstrated expertise?</p> <p>MTAC approved this as 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' at their meeting of 22/04/2021, noting the revised risk assessment form and CRT referral process (as with LAFI 4.54 and 4.61).</p>	22/04/21	30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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Local Actions for Learning Theme 3: Obstetric Anaesthesia													
4.85	Obstetric anaesthetists are an integral part of the maternity team and must be considered as such. The maternity and anaesthetic service must ensure that obstetric anaesthetists are completely integrated into the maternity multidisciplinary team and must ensure attendance and active participation in relevant team meetings, audits, Serious Incident reviews, regular ward rounds and multidisciplinary training.	Y	10/12/20		Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Anaesthetists participating in some MDT ward rounds MDT emergency obstetrics course run in the SIM centre approx. 3 x per year Lead obstetric anaesthetist key facilitator in weekly in situ simulation training Obstetric anaesthetists to complete online Prompt course by 31/3/21 Include obstetric education section in each Anaesthetic governance meeting Regular obstetric anaesthesia meetings with a learning section Involvement of anaesthetists in PROMPT – both as facilitators and participants.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.86	Obstetric anaesthetists must be proactive and make positive contributions to team learning and the improvement of clinical standards. Where there is apparent disengagement from the maternity service the obstetric anaesthetists themselves must insist they are involved and not remain on the periphery, as the review team have observed in a number of cases reviewed.	Y	10/12/20	30/09/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Good engagement with anaesthetics department. Consultant Anaesthetic Lead working closely with Clinical Director for obstetrics to ensure that anaesthetics staff are fully-embedded in the delivery of safe and effective care.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Janine McDonnell	
4.87	Obstetric anaesthetists and departments of anaesthesia must regularly review their current clinical guidelines to ensure they meet best practice standards in line with the national and local guidelines published by the RCoA and the OAA. Adherence to these by all obstetric anaesthetic staff working on labour ward and elsewhere, must be regularly audited. Any changes to clinical guidelines must be communicated and necessary training be provided to the midwifery and obstetric teams.	Y	10/12/20	30/09/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Annual audit cycle in regards to Royal College of Anaesthetists (RCoA) Guideline audit currently in place (covers theatre and epidural practice). Trust Guidelines last reviewed in 2016; new review underway. Regular guidelines review to be implemented as standing agenda item of bi-monthly obstetrics anaesthetic meeting. Audit method for compliance with the guidelines to be devised.		30/09/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.88	Obstetric anaesthesia services at the Trust must develop or review the existing guidelines for escalation to the consultant on-call. This must include specific guidance for consultant attendance. Consultant anaesthetists covering labour ward or the wider maternity services must have sufficient clinical expertise and be easily contactable for all staff on delivery suite. The guidelines must be in keeping with national guidelines and ratified by the Anaesthetic and Obstetric Service with support from the Trust executive.	Y	10/12/20		Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Middle grade rota is staffed by experienced obstetric anaesthetists only. Continuous Professional Development (CPD) for consultants that cover obstetrics at night but who do not have regular sessions in obstetrics is in place. SOP/Guideline: "When to Call a Consultant" being developed. Compliance of completed CPD sessions to be collated. 'Cappuccini' audit underway and will be repeated: will demonstrate contactability of anaesthetic consultants.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.89	The service must use current quality improvement methodology to audit and improve clinical performance of obstetric anaesthesia services in line with the recently published RCoA 2020 'Guidelines for Provision of Anaesthetic Services', section 7 'Obstetric Practice'.	Y	10/12/20	TBC	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Review of effectiveness of application of the ACSA (RCoA) – 189 standards is underway. In place as standing agenda item at the Obstetric Anaesthesia meeting.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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4.90	The Trust must ensure appropriately trained and appropriately senior/experienced anaesthetic staff participate in maternal incident investigations and that there is dissemination of learning from adverse events.	Y	10/12/20		Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Obstetric Anaesthetist expertise is incorporated to regular Datix reviews. Regular input to 'Human Factors' investigations, also. Anaesthetics consultants to dedicate SPA time to Obstetrics in addition to current service lead in order to progress this. Will require audit evidence.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
4.91	The service must ensure mandatory and regular participation for all anaesthetic staff working on labour ward and the maternity services in multidisciplinary team training for frequent obstetric emergencies.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Currently working towards compliance with Clinical Negligence Scheme for Trusts (CNST) Maternity Incentive Scheme, safety action 8. Simulation course held 3 x per year In situ simulation training conducted weekly All obstetric anaesthetists to submit evidence of completion of the online PROMPT course by 31/3/21 MTAC approved this as 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' based on evidence of 89% completion rate of the online PROMPT training by anaesthetists, and feedback notes and course design of MDT training organised by the anaesthetic consultants. Attendance records, plus demonstrated fulfilment of CNST MIS Safety Action 8 will move this to 'Evidenced and Assured Status'. Face-to-face MDT training will resume from 28 April (having been online early during the worst of the pandemic).		30/10/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Will Parry-Smith	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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Local Actions for Learning Theme 4: Neonatal Service													
4.97	Medical and nursing notes must be combined; where they are kept separately there is the potential for important information not to be shared between all members of the clinical team. Daily clinical records, particularly for patients receiving intensive care, must be recorded using a structured format to ensure all important issues are addressed.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Roll out of combined medical and nursing notes to Neonatal Unit (NNU) planned for Q4 2020/2021. A structured 'daily notes guidance' exists already in the Neonatal Handbook</p> <p>Adopt combined records approach in NNU by 31/01/2021.</p> <p>Implement a system and problem-based recording of daily notes for babies receiving intensive and high-dependency care</p> <p>Ensure information on joint medical and nursing note keeping held on all staff induction</p> <p>Check adherence to above through audit</p> <p>Prepare a business case for Neonatal Badgernet EPR and explore the feasibility of using the existing summary record for daily entries in the interim.</p> <p>MTAC approved this as 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' having seen proof of the combined notes format having been adopted (by the deadline set out above). They also saw examples of the SaTH Exutero Exception monthly log for the previous quarter. Next items to check will include plans for the BadgerNet rollout referenced above.</p>		30/04/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	SaTH NHS SharePoint
4.98	There must be clearly documented early consultation with a neonatal intensive care unit (often referred to as tertiary units) for all babies born on a local neonatal unit who require intensive care.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Not Yet Delivered	Off Track (see exception report)	<p>Policy for escalation already in place with audits taking place every three months by a senior Neonatologist.</p> <p>Adherence to exception reporting and escalation policy in line with service specification and Network requirements – to be monitored on monthly basis</p> <p>Recording and filing of discussions with NICUs outside of the exceptions to be implemented</p> <p>Review and revise the existing SOP for escalation by tier 2 staff/senior nurses to on call consultant</p> <p>Both MTAC and the nominated Neonatal Consultant supporting this project declared this action 'Not Yet Delivered' in their review on 22/04/2021. As reported at ORAC on the same day, there are some discrepancies with this requirement and current national guidance. SaTH will seek the advice of the External Expert Advisory Panel on how best to proceed. Given the initial due date has passed, a project exception report has been filed, with revised delivery date tbc.</p>		30/04/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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4.99	The neonatal unit should not undertake even short term intensive care, (except while awaiting a neonatal transfer service), if they cannot make arrangements for 24 hour on-site, immediate availability at either tier 2, (a registrar grade doctor with training in neonatology or an advanced neonatal nurse practitioner) or tier 3, (a neonatal consultant), with sole duties on the neonatal unit.	Y	10/12/20	31/10/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	1. Business case completed and approved for additional senior clinicians to offer increased clinical presence on neonatal unit - meeting the dedicated 24 hour on-site tier 2 presence. 2. Recruitment to commence in Feb 2021 for anticipated start date of October 2021	12/01/21	31/10/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Janine McDonnell	
4.100	There was some evidence of outdated neonatal practice at The Shrewsbury and Telford Hospital NHS Trust. Consultant neonatologists and ANNPs must have the opportunity of regular observational attachments at another neonatal intensive care unit.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Plans underway to enable observation of other NICUs Develop Job Plans to enable neonatal consultants to spend 2 weeks/year at the Network NICUs. MTAC approved this as 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' on 22/04/2021, based on evidence seen of firm plans for such placements to take place at Royal Stoke Hospital, New Cross Hospital and Birmingham Women's Hospital, as soon as pandemic conditions allow. Once the placements have been ongoing for sufficient time, it will be reviewed and tested to see whether it has been embedded.		30/10/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Janine McDonnell	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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Immediate and Essential Action 1: Enhanced Safety													
Safety in maternity units across England must be strengthened by increasing partnerships between Trusts and within local networks													
Neighbouring Trusts must work collaboratively to ensure that local investigations into Serious Incidents (SIs) have regional and Local Maternity System (LMS) oversight													
1.1	Clinical change where required must be embedded across trusts with regional clinical oversight in a timely way. Trusts must be able to provide evidence of this through structured reporting mechanisms e.g. through maternity dashboards. This must be a formal item on LMS agendas at least every 3 months.	Y	10/12/20	31/10/21	Not Yet Delivered	Not Started	Review at LMNS Board in order to consider what data is required and in what format Work being scoped with NHSEI to develop national maternity dashboard with SaTH as a key stakeholder				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
1.2	External clinical specialist opinion from outside the Trust (but from within the region), must be mandated for cases of intrapartum fetal death, maternal death, neonatal brain injury and neonatal death.	Y	10/12/20	31/05/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	This is achieved in some cases currently. Arrange formal agreements between Trusts in order to achieve fully. Joining with a larger LMNS will support this process All cases which fulfil PMRT criteria currently reviewed with external panel member present.		31/07/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
1.3	LMS must be given greater responsibility and accountability so that they can ensure the maternity services they represent provide safe services for all who access them.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	Not Started	Review underway into levels of accountability and responsibility for maternity services held by this LMNS Review of membership of LMNS with a view to joining a larger LMNS. Review of current structure and work streams to ensure adequate and effective oversight				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	
1.4	An LMS cannot function as one maternity service only.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	Not Started	SATH currently a single trust LNMS. Issue raised with NHSI/E regional office Review of membership of LMNS with a view to joining a larger LMNS. Review of current structure and work streams to ensure adequate effective oversight				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	
1.5	The LMS Chair must hold CCG Board level membership so that they can directly represent their local maternity services which will include giving assurances regarding the maternity safety agenda.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	This is in place but is not yet evidenced	31/01/2021			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	
1.6	All maternity SI reports (and a summary of the key issues) must be sent to the Trust Board and at the same time to the local LMS for scrutiny, oversight and transparency. This must be done at least every 3 months.	Y	10/12/20	30/04/21	Not Yet Delivered	Off Track (see exception report)	Review and strengthen SI reporting process to Trust Board and LMNS. Discussions commenced on how best to do this. Quarterly report to Trust Board using peer as example of reporting process to be developed MTAC reviewed progress against this at their meeting on 22/04/2021, and decided there is not enough evidence of transparency (in terms of publishing), so this remains 'Not Yet Delivered'. An exception report has been filed, but the revised due date is tbc. Next steps are for the Trust to consult with SFHNSHST to learn from how they report safety matters in the public domain, with a view to adopting best practice.		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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Immediate and Essential Action 2: Listening to Women and Families													
Maternity services must ensure that women and their families are listened to with their voices heard.													
2.1	Trusts must create an independent senior advocate role which reports to both the Trust and the LMS Boards.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	These roles are being developed, defined and recruited to nationally. It is understood that this process is underway				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	
2.2	The advocate must be available to families attending follow up meetings with clinicians where concerns about maternity or neonatal care are discussed, particularly where there has been an adverse outcome.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Once in post, methodology for this is to be developed				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	
2.3	Each Trust Board must identify a non-executive director who has oversight of maternity services, with specific responsibility for ensuring that women and family voices across the Trust are represented at Board level. They must work collaboratively with their maternity Safety Champions.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Non-Executive Safety Champion in post with oversight of Maternity Services Executive Safety Champion in post – Trust Executive Medical Director Work to be undertaken to ensure that women's voices are represented at Board level. Report to be taken to Board of Directors (frequency to be agreed) MTAC approved this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' based on evidence (meeting minutes, walk-about notes, 'you said, we did' board, AAA reports) of regular and meaningful engagement by the NED with the Maternity Safety Champions Group. MTAC noted the Trust must engage more with MVP partners, to ensure service user voices are truly heard; this will be facilitated via Workstream 5 of the MTP amongst other initiatives. ORAC (2 meetings held to date) is attended by MVP and LMNS representatives.		30/04/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	SaTH NHS SharePoint - Maternity Safety Champions workspace
2.4	CQC inspections must include an assessment of whether women's voices are truly heard by the maternity service through the active and meaningful involvement of the Maternity Voices Partnership.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	SaTH has ongoing engagement with MVP for all MTP work stream. Evidence that active and meaningful involvement is in place is required. Action to be discussed with CQC at relationship meeting				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	




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Immediate and Essential Action 3: Staff Training and Working Together													
Staff who work together must train together													
3.1	Trusts must ensure that multidisciplinary training and working occurs and must provide evidence of it. This evidence must be externally validated through the LMS, 3 times a year.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	<p>New Multi Disciplinary leadership Team in post in the last 12 months, leading the Care Group (Doctor, Midwife and Manager)</p> <p>MDT Practical Obstetric Multi-Professional Training (PROMPT) training in place and occurring monthly (doctors and midwives)</p> <p>Weekly MDT simulation exercises take place on delivery suite with ad hoc sessions on Midwifery Led Unit</p> <p>Work underway within Maternity Transformation Plan (MTP) to develop further best practice in this area.</p> <p>Twice weekly Cardiotocograph (CTG) learning and feedback sessions on Delivery Suite – MDT delivered by CTG midwife and/or consultant</p> <p>Weekly risk management meetings in place, which are MDT, with Lead Obstetrician, Clinical Director, midwifery managers and maternity risk manager in attendance</p> <p>Identified Obstetric anaesthetic lead with Human Factor specialist interest attends MDT training</p> <p>Attendance reporting to commence using the CNST reporting template for all aspects; MDT skills drills to take place out of hours, to include an escalation scenarios, anaesthetic attendance at training sessions.</p>				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Will Parry-Smith	
3.2	Multidisciplinary training and working together must always include twice daily (day and night through the 7-day week) consultant-led and present multidisciplinary ward rounds on the labour ward.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>There is a twice-daily ward round on the delivery suite with the delivery suite midwifery coordinator, duty anaesthetist and obstetric consultant in attendance. These occur at 08:30 and 20:30. If there is a change of consultant, there is an additional ward round at 17:00. 7-day working of consultant in place within maternity services; 7-day rota in place to ensure obstetric consultant cover meeting Consultant to sign a daily sheet that records the ward round Monthly audit of attendance at Ward Rounds to be introduced. Recruit 6 x additional consultant obstetricians to offer 24/7 cover by Summer 2021</p> <p>Achieve compliance with CNST Maternity Improvement Scheme (MIS) safety action 4. Multidisciplinary Simulation (SIM) training and PROMPT courses already take place.</p> <p>MTAC approved this action to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' on 22/04/2021, based on the same evidence as discussed for 4.62, as well as information provided on ongoing recruitment of locum consultant obstetricians, with some substantive roles also planned. It was noted that CNST MIS Safety Action 4 has been reduced in scope for Year 3 (as of March 2021), so this benchmark is less applicable now.</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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3.3	Trusts must ensure that any external funding allocated for the training of maternity staff, is ring-fenced and used for this purpose only.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	<p>This is not in place currently.</p> <p>MTP Workstream 4 has in scope proposals regarding how much time is required by clinical staff in order to complete their training and an uplift may be required.</p> <p>Identify which funding streams need to be ring-fenced including money from Health Education England (HEE) for students Mechanism for this yet to be established with the Executive Director of Finance</p>				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Hayley Flavell	




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Immediate and Essential Action 4: Managing Complex Pregnancies													
There must be robust pathways in place for managing women with complex pregnancies.													
Through the development of links with the tertiary level Maternal Medicine Centre there must be agreement reached on the criteria for those cases to be discussed and /or referred to a maternal medicine specialist centre.													
4.1	Women with Complex Pregnancies must have a named consultant lead.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	All women with complex pregnancies have a named consultant lead Appropriate risk assessment documented at each contact Implement a formal auditing process and report to respective local governance meetings Review of Midwifery led cases for appropriate referral onwards, to be undertaken.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	
4.2	Where a complex pregnancy is identified, there must be early specialist involvement and management plans agreed between the women and the team.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Antenatal risk assessments to continually reassess care pathway incorporated and being further developed, including integration with Badgernet Fetal monitoring a priority, with specific leads in place to champion awareness Individual pathways incorporating pre-existing morbidities created Connections to be developed in order to achieve holistic solution. Process already in place including specialist antenatal clinics for diabetes and endocrine, haematology, cardiac disease, rheumatology, respiratory, gastro, neurology and mental health. Review of women with additional needs at monthly multidisciplinary meetings. This may include specific medical conditions but, also, for individualised birth plans. Business case submitted for additional consultant hours to staff an "Urgent" Antenatal clinic to see women developing complex obstetric conditions. Validate and document that these requirements are being fulfilled.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	

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4.3	The development of maternal medicine specialist centres as a regional hub and spoke model must be an urgent national priority to allow early discussion of complex maternity cases with expert clinicians.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	<p>Exploration of specialist centres under way. Network identified, but connections yet to be put in place (see Local Action for Learning 4.73)</p> <p>Onward referral process to be developed</p> <p>Formalise connections with specialist maternal medical centres</p> <p>Obstetric Clinical Director engaged in discussions with network. This is an on-going discussion regionally and nationally in terms of how SaTH dovetails with these and connects to them. Pathways in place for transfer to specialist centres if required i.e. cardiac</p> <p>Gain an updated understanding of this across the region – regional leads are taking this forward. SaTH has determined that we do not wish to be a maternal medicine centre but we are currently awaiting further guidance.</p>				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	
4.4	This must also include regional integration of maternal mental health services.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	Obstetric Clinical Director engaged with network on this topic.				Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	

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Immediate and Essential Action 5: Risk Assessment Throughout Pregnancy													
Staff must ensure that women undergo a risk assessment at each contact throughout the pregnancy pathway.													
5.1	All women must be formally risk assessed at every antenatal contact so that they have continued access to care provision by the most appropriately trained professional.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>For Intrapartum care high risk women will have risk re-assessed hourly throughout labour with "fresh eyes" review. A separate risk assessment tool is being developed for women receiving low risk care in all birth settings to clearly document a regular review of risk status.</p> <p>Audit required to confirm ongoing assessment and reassessment, including during labour, is being observed</p> <p>Documentation contained within each woman's handheld PSCP/notes requires risk assessment to be reviewed at each contact</p> <p>Manual audit underway as stop-gap; weekly feedback</p> <p>Formalised audit to be implemented</p> <p>Rapid Implementation of Badgernet EPR system to allow data extraction and analysis.</p> <p>MTAC were satisfied to approve this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' on 22/04/2021 based on the evidence provided for LAFL 4.54. They require to see evidence of risk assessment being made a mandatory field in Badgernet, and audit evidence to show that Place of Birth choice is reviewed at each appointment, in order to progress this to the next delivery stage.</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
5.2	Risk assessment must include ongoing review of the intended place of birth, based on the developing clinical picture.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Place of birth revalidated at each contact as part of ongoing risk assessment</p> <p>Mother's choices based on a shared and informed decision-making process respected</p> <p>This is to be checked within the scope of the audit mentioned at LEA 5.1</p> <p>MTAC approved this as 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' on 22/04/2021, based on evidence seen for elements of LAFL 4.54 and 4.55 (specifically, the monthly review clinic, from which minutes were provided, and the birthplace choices leaflet and online information)</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint

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Immediate and Essential Action 6: Monitoring Fetal Wellbeing														
All maternity services must appoint a dedicated Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician both with demonstrated expertise to focus on and champion best practice in fetal monitoring.														
6.1	The Leads must be of sufficient seniority and demonstrated expertise to ensure they are able to effectively lead on: * Improving the practice of monitoring fetal wellbeing * Consolidating existing knowledge of monitoring fetal wellbeing * Keeping abreast of developments in the field * Raising the profile of fetal wellbeing monitoring * Ensuring that colleagues engaged in fetal wellbeing monitoring are adequately supported * Interfacing with external units and agencies to learn about and keep abreast of developments in the field, and to track and introduce best practice.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Lead MW for fetal monitoring 0.4 WTE in place on secondment. Lead obstetrician in place with allocated time and job description – 1 SPA per week incorporating PROMPT, Fetal monitoring (0.5) & education and training. Both midwifery posts need to be substantive posts and this will be included in the workforce review and associated business cases. Job descriptions and personal specifications to be scoped to ensure they fulfil all of the required criteria Further recruitment underway Audit of guidelines underway Both midwifery posts need to be substantive posts and this will be included in the workforce review and associated business cases.		31/08/21			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	
6.2	The Leads must plan and run regular departmental fetal heart rate (FHR) monitoring meetings and cascade training. They should also lead on the review of cases of adverse outcome involving poor FHR interpretation and practice.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Twice weekly training and review MDT meetings in place reviewing practice and identifying learning. Lead Midwife attends weekly risk meetings to ascertain if CTG is a key or incidental finding in any incident. K2 training for midwives and obstetricians in place Incidents reviewed for contributory / causative factors to inform required actions. Both midwifery posts need to be substantive posts and this will be included in the workforce review and associated business cases Audit compliance with new guideline.					Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Will Parry-Smith	
6.3	The Leads must ensure that their maternity service is compliant with the recommendations of Saving Babies Lives Care Bundle 2 and subsequent national guidelines.	Y	10/12/20	30/06/21	Not Yet Delivered	On Track	Named project midwife responsible for Saving Babies Lives in place - 1.0 WTE secondment Ongoing implementation and reporting of progress of SBL Care Bundle in place CNST safety action 6 compliance reporting and SBL compliance reporting in place.		15/07/21			Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Nicola Wenlock	

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Immediate and Essential Action 7: Informed Consent													
All Trusts must ensure women have ready access to accurate information to enable their informed choice of intended place of birth and mode of birth, including maternal choice for caesarean delivery.													
7.1	All maternity services must ensure the provision to women of accurate and contemporaneous evidence-based information as per national guidance. This must include all aspects of maternity care throughout the antenatal, intrapartum and postnatal periods of care	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>Patient information leaflets available on the Internet (SaTH Homepage), including recently developed leaflet of choice for place of birth co-produced with the MVP. Also includes link to national PIL on Caesarean section (Tommy's) and Birth after previous caesarean section (RCOG). Work on-going as part Antenatal Care Pathway sub-project; videos, leaflet and Baby Buddy app available. Developing links for women to watch videos on relevant pregnancy topics such as IOL to assist in digesting information. Women requesting a caesarean section are referred to a consultant-led birth options clinic, where this is explored and management is individualised according to their choice. Patient feedback notice boards in place on inpatient areas (translation service available). Through audit, need to confirm that the mother and partner / family have received and consumed the information as intended. Digitalisation of patient record through the implementation of the Badgernet system.</p> <p>The Communication and Engagement workstream includes MVP and patient representation. Review of other websites required to identify best practice. Link with local LMNS and units that also provide care to women from Shropshire to ensure consistent approach to information.</p> <p>MTAC approved this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced' status based on the evidence referenced for LAFL 4.55, including online and handheld information. They noted the introduction of new 'business cards' handed to mothers; the cards contain a QR link to BabyBuddy app and other verified information sources. MTAC also noted that, following a study of other Trusts' online information, including on social media platforms, and in partnership with the MVP, the Trust is moving forward with a quote to revamp their online presence to maximise accessibility, the funds coming from the MTP budget.</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	SaTH NHS SharePoint
7.2	Women must be enabled to participate equally in all decision making processes and to make informed choices about their care.	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Not Yet Delivered	Off Track (see exception report)	<p>Work currently on-going as part of Antenatal Care Pathway sub-project</p> <p>Confirm that the mother and partner / family have received and consumed the information as intended</p> <p>A process for auditing this will need to be established.</p> <p>MTAC decided in their meeting on 22/04/2021 that this remains 'Not Yet Delivered', as they are not satisfied we have yet done enough to hear from women whether they feel they have all the information they require. MTAC instructed the MTP to liaise more closely with the MVP, who in turn are recruiting a wider section of volunteers and conducting a postnatal survey. Further, WS5 has been further reinforced with the appointment of the Clinical Director of Maternity Services as lead. Topics to explore have already been identified, and this area will be prioritised for the next phase of the project. An exception report has been filed for the missed deadline, but no revised due date has yet been confirmed.</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	

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APPENDIX ONE - OCKENDEN REPORT ACTION PLAN (as at 23 April 2021)

IEA Ref	Action required	Linked to associated plans (e.g. MIP / MTP)	Start Date	Due Date	Delivery Status	Progress Status	Status Commentary (This Period)	Actual Completion Date	Date to be evidenced by	Date evidenced by	Accountable Executive	Accountable Person	Location of Evidence
7.3	Women's choices following a shared and informed decision making process must be respected	Y	10/12/20	31/03/21	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	On Track	<p>A mechanism for measuring and auditing this needs to be developed.</p> <p>Dedicated PALS officer to be appointed to Maternity Services to offer in-reach and provide real time feedback.</p> <p>MTAC approved this to 'Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced', having been provided with copious meeting minutes (anonymised) from the Birth Options Clinic, showing multiple instances of individualised care being put in place in order to enable the mother's chosen care pathway and place of birth. Further audits, including a review of the findings of the above-mentioned MVP-led survey will be examined once available.</p>		30/06/21		Hayley Flavell/ Arne Rose (tbc)	Mei-See Hon	

Colour	Status	Description
Red	Not yet delivered	Recommendation is not yet in place; there are outstanding tasks.
Yellow	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	Recommendation is in place with all tasks complete, but has not yet gone through the assurance and sign-off process.
Green	Evidenced and Assured	Recommendation is in place; evidence proving this has been approved by executive and signed off by committee.

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Colour coding: Delivery Status

Colour	Status	Description
	Not yet delivered	Action is not yet in place; there are outstanding tasks to deliver.
	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	Action is in place with all tasks completed, but has not yet been assured/evidenced as delivering the required improvements.
	Evidenced and Assured	Action is in place; with assurance/evidence that the action has been/continues to be addressed.

Colour coding: Progress Status

Colour	Status	Description
	Not started	Work on the tasks required to deliver this action has not yet started.
	Off track	Achievement of the action has missed or the scheduled deadline. An exception report must be created to explain why, along with mitigating actions, where possible.
	At risk	There is a risk that achievement of the action may miss the scheduled deadline or quality tolerances, but the owner judges that this can be remedied without needing to escalate. An exception report must nonetheless be created to explain why exception may occur, along with mitigating actions, where possible.
	On track	Work to deliver this action is underway and expected to meet deadline and quality tolerances.
	Complete	The work to deliver this action has been completed and there is assurance/evidence that this action is being delivered and sustained.

Accountable Executive and Owner Index

Name	Title and Role	Project Role					
Hayley Flavell	Executive Director of Nursing	Overall MTP Executive Sponsor					
Arne Rose	Executive Medical Director	Executive Sponsor					
Guy Calcott	Obstetric Consultant	Co-Lead, Quality and Choice Workstream					
Janine McDonnell	W&C Divisional Director	Lead, People and Culture Workstream					
Nicola Wenlock	Director of Midwifery	Lead, Risk and Governance Workstream					
William Parry-Smith	Obstetric Consultant	Lead, Learning, Partnerships and Research					
Mei-See Hon	Clinical Director, Obstetrics	Communications and engagement Workstream					

Delivery Status

	Total number of recommendations	Not yet delivered	Delivered, Not Yet Evidenced	Evidenced and Assured
LAFL	27	15	12	0
IEA	25	17	8	0
Total	52	32	20	0

Progress Status

	Total number of recommendations	Not Started	On Track	At Risk (see exception report)	Off Track (see exception report)	Completed
LAFL	27	0	25	0	2	0
IEA	25	3	20	0	2	0
Total	52	3	45	0	4	0

Date of Report:	20/04/2021	Ockenden ID:	4.65	Delivery Status:	Not Yet Delivered	Progress Status:	Off Track
Executive Lead:	Hayley Flavell / Arne Rose (tbc)	Requirement:	The maternity service must appoint a dedicated Lead Midwife and Lead Obstetrician both with demonstrated expertise to focus on and champion the development and improvement of the practice of bereavement care within maternity services at the Trust.				
Action Lead:	Mei-See Hon						
Reason for exception and consequences		Mitigation					
<p>The funding for the posts in question has not yet been approved, hence we are not yet able to hire or provide the consultant time. We therefore cannot state that this action has been delivered.</p> <p>It should be stressed that the bereavement service is nonetheless being delivered, with specialist midwives in place and consultants making time to provide this form of care. However, in order to standardise it and co-ordinate it to maximum effectiveness, we need the investment.</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The business case will be submitted to the Innovation and Investment Committee. There is a semi-protected 800k amount set aside which could potentially be used to fund these priority posts. 2) Current obstetricians are making the best effort to deliver this care in the interim – we aim to standardise and co-ordinate this care, hence the need for these posts (service enhancement) – i.e. service already exists. 					
Recommendation		What lessons have been learnt from this exception?					
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The optimal solution would be to push for the business case to be approved, as only with this investment can we fully meet this requirement. 		<p>A refined process for seeking urgent approval for priority investments need to be devised by the DoF.</p> <p>Over time, as we have gained a deeper understanding of the actions, it has become apparent that some of our initial deadlines could not be met if the action is to be carried out in full, especially where things are outside of our control (of the division) (dates need revising)</p>					
Recommendation approval (name / date)		Original due date:			31/03/2021 (to be evidenced by 30/06/2021)		
		Proposed revised delivery date:			31/07/2021 (evidenced by 30/09/2021)		

Ockenden Requirements Implementation: Exception Report

Date of Report:	22/04/2021	Ockenden ID:	4.98	Delivery Status:	Not Yet Delivered	Progress Status:	Off Track
Executive Lead:	Hayley Flavell / Arne Rose (tbc)	Requirement:	There must be clearly documented early consultation with a neonatal intensive care unit (often referred to as tertiary units) for all babies born on a local neonatal unit who require intensive care.				
Action Lead:	Nicola Wenlock						
Reason for exception and consequences		Mitigation					
<p>We have not been able to implement this yet, due to an apparent contradiction between the requirement as expressed in the Ockenden report, and current national guidance (from the British Association of Perinatal Medicine - BAPM).</p> <p>If discussions about every baby receiving intensive care (even if they do not meet the threshold as laid down in the service specification and national recommendations) need to take place with NICUs, then this falls outside the Network's agreed pathways and national recommendations.</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Prepare a short paper precisely detailing the contradiction 2) Share this with Professor E. Prosser-Snelling, consultant neonatologist and member of the External Expert Advisory Panel, to seek his guidance 3) Share this with the Ockenden Team in an appropriate format, and if needed, request clarification on the action from them. 					
Recommendation		What lessons have been learnt from this exception?					
1) The mitigation set out above is recommended, as it will be useful to other Trusts and Maternity Services as well as us.		We have learned that there are a number of actions in the Ockenden Report which require further contextualising or clarification, and that a process for managing this is needed.					
Recommendation approval (name / date)		Original due date:			31/03/2021 (to be evidenced by 30/06/2021)		
		Proposed revised delivery date:			31/07/2021 (evidenced by 30/09/2021)		

Ockenden Requirements Implementation: Exception Report

Date of Report:	20/04/2021	Ockenden ID:	IEA 1.6	Delivery Status:	Not Yet Delivered	Progress Status:	Off Track
Executive Lead:	Hayley Flavell / Arne Rose (tbc)	Requirement:	All maternity SI reports (and a summary of the key issues) must be sent to the Trust Board and at the same time to the local LMS for scrutiny, oversight and transparency. This must be done at least every 3 months.				
Action Lead:	Nicola Wenlock						
Reason for exception and consequences		Mitigation					
<p>MTAC reviewed progress against this at their meeting on 22/04/2021, and decided there is not enough evidence of transparency (in terms of publishing), so this remains 'Not Yet Delivered'. An exception report has been filed, but the revised due date is tbc. Next steps are for the Trust to consult with SFHNSHST to learn from how they report safety matters in the public domain, with a view to adopting best practice.</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) We will append extracts from the Trust Board Terms of Reference and invite review of whether this currently calls for sufficient transparency in the publishing of information relating to safety matters 2) We propose that Governance leads from SaTH liaise with their counterparts at Sherwood Forest Hospitals NHS Trust to understand how they report safety matters in the public domain, with a view to potentially adopting the same model if it has proven successful. 					
Recommendation		What lessons have been learnt from this exception?					
<p>We recommend the above solution as it offers maximal transparency and an opportunity to learn from good practice from our partner Trust.</p>		<p>This has made us aware of a potential lack of transparency that may be relevant for other Divisions in the Trust, so there may be a need for action across the board.</p>					
Recommendation approval (name / date)		Original due date:			31/03/2021 (to be evidenced by 30/06/2021)		
		Proposed revised delivery date:			31/07/2021 (evidenced by 30/09/2021)		

Ockenden Requirements Implementation: Exception Report

Date of Report:	20/04/2021	Ockenden ID:	IEA 7.2	Delivery Status:	Not Yet Delivered	Progress Status:	Off Track
Executive Lead:	Hayley Flavell / Arne Rose (tbc)	Requirement:	Women must be enabled to participate equally in all decision making processes and to make informed choices about their care.				
Action Lead:	Mei-See Hon						
Reason for exception and consequences		Mitigation					
<p>MTAC decided in their meeting on 22/04/2021 that this remains 'Not Yet Delivered', as they are not satisfied we have yet done enough to hear from women whether they feel they have all the information they require. MTAC instructed the MTP to liaise more closely with the MVP, who in turn are recruiting a wider section of volunteers and conducting a postnatal survey. Further, WS5 has been further reinforced with the appointment of the Clinical Director of Maternity Services as lead. Topics to explore have already been identified, and this area will be prioritised. for the next phase of the project. An exception report has been filed for the missed deadline, but no revised due date has yet been confirmed.</p>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Use existing SaTH survey evidence, or devise new ones, to audit this 2) Supply more evidence in terms of Birth Options Clinic Meeting minutes or PALS feedback 3) Redouble our efforts to engage with Service Users via our MVP partners across all MTP workstreams, nut particularly Workstream 5, appoint a new lead with the requisite seniority and skills and focus on finding maternity cover for the current Comms. Specialist. Use user-centric project methodology (Agile User Stories) to ensure the Service User is kept at the heart of all change initiatives. 					
Recommendation		What lessons have been learnt from this exception?					
<p>3) Option 3 (with elements of the other 2) is recommended – Workstream 5 has already started using this methodology so provide rapid improvements tailored to specific MVP / Service User feedback. We have a fantastic opportunity to truly hear our service users and respond to their specific needs in this way.</p>		<p>It is neither possible nor appropriate for the Trust and its Maternity Services to judge whether women are, or feel themselves to be adequately informed and empowered to participate equally in such decisions. We therefore have to redouble our efforts to connect with Service Users directly and via the MVP, and devise suitable methods of auditing this – or leverage existing ones such as the MVP postnatal survey.</p>					
Recommendation approval (name / date)		Original due date:			31/03/2021 (to be evidenced by 30/06/2021)		
		Proposed revised delivery date:			31/07/2021 (evidenced by 30/09/2021)		

Key to Titles

Title	Description
Date of Report:	Date report written: when exception is predicted or as soon as possible once it has occurred
Ockenden ID:	The paragraph reference to the Ockenden Review document
Delivery Status:	Whether the recommendations is not yet delivered, delivered (not yet evidenced), or evidenced and assured
Progress Status:	Whether the work to deliver the recommendation is not started, on track, at risk, off track, or complete at the time of exception report
Executive Lead:	The executive sponsor, who is accountable for the delivery of the recommendation
Action Lead:	The owner of the actions required to deliver the recommendation
Requirement:	The verbatim recommendation extracted from the Ockenden Review
Reason for exception and consequences:	A description of the cause of why the delivery of the recommendation is in exception, whether than is time, cost, quality or scope
Mitigation:	The possible courses of action to bring delivery of the recommendation out of exception
Recommendation:	Of these course of action, the one deemed most effective in the opinion of the executive and action leads
What lessons have been learnt from this exception?	What have we learned from this exception, and how can we draw upon this to avoid it happening again?
Recommendation approval (name / date):	Records the name of the board member(s) who approved the exception plan
Original due date:	The original deadline set for completion / evidencing of the recommendation
Proposed revised delivery date:	The agreed new deadline per the exception plan (if granting more time is the approved recommendation).