

Maternity and Children Quality Improvement Collaborative (MCQIC) Neonatal Care Webinar

Preterm Perinatal Wellbeing Package: Successes, Challenges & Next Steps

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Welcome and introduction



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Agenda

Time	Topic	Lead
10.00-10.05	Welcome and introductions	Dr Lynsey Still (Chair) MCQIC Neonatal Clinical Lead Healthcare Improvement Scotland
10.05-10.20	Overview	Dr Lynsey Still (Chair)
10.20-11.10	<p>Perinatal Wellbeing Package in University Hospital Wishaw</p> <p>Maternal milk and temperature</p> <p>Deferred cord clamping</p> <p>B4 34 branded pathway</p> <p>Creating a perinatal team</p>	<p>Dr Augusta Anenih Consultant Neonatologist, NHS Lanarkshire</p> <p>Dr Jennifer Hendry ST2 Paediatric Care, NHS Lothian</p> <p>Dr Gemma Edwards ST6 Paediatric Trainee, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde</p> <p>Dr Colin Peters Consultant Neonatologist, Clinical Director for Neonatal Services, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde</p> <p>Dr Kathleen Brown Consultant Neonatologist, NHS Tayside</p>
11.10-11.25	Panel-led Q&A	Dr Lynsey Still (Chair)
11.25-11.30	Next steps	Dr Lynsey Still (Chair)
11.30	Thank you and close	





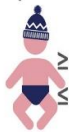



Aims of the webinar

- Highlight the importance of perinatal optimisation and standardisation of preterm care.
- Discuss successes and challenges of the wellbeing package.
- Agree next steps in further improving outcomes for our most vulnerable babies.

Background

- Perinatal optimisation relates to the delivery of numerous evidence based antenatal, intrapartum and neonatal interventions that are vital in improving outcomes for preterm babies.
- Launch of MCQIC Perinatal Wellbeing Package (PPWP) in 2017.

Preterm Perinatal Package

NICU  <27	Steroids  <1w <34	Magnesium  <24h <30	Cord Clamping  ≥60s
Temperature  <1h ≥36.5 ≤37.5 <32	Mum's Milk  <24h <32	Caffeine  <3d <27	<34w 

Perinatal optimisation initiatives

PRETERM PERINATAL PACKAGE

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<h3>Maintain Temperature</h3> <p>min 36.5°C max 37.5°C</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Early hypothermia (<36.5°C) increases mortality and risk of brain haemorrhage, NEC, and sepsis Striving to achieve the early hypothermia (<36°C) to adverse outcomes <p>AIM: Ensure strict thermoregulatory measures to achieve normothermia (36.5 - 37.5°C) within an hour of birth.</p>	<h3>Mum's Breast Milk</h3> <p><32 wks 24 hrs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lowest risk for preterm babies Significantly reduces the risk of sepsis and NEC Reduces mortality & improves neurodevelopmental outcomes <p>AIM: All infants <32 weeks should receive maternal milk ideally within the first 24 hours of life.</p>	<h3>Early Caffeine</h3> <p><30 wks 3 days</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduces apnoea, invasive ventilation and preterm lung disease Improves survival without neurodevelopmental disability <p>AIM: All infants born <30 weeks should receive caffeine within 3 days, ideally on admission to NICU.</p>	<p>Produced by Healthcare Improvement Scotland in partnership with the Scottish Patient Safety Programme © 2020 CC BY-NC-ND MCQIC Perinatal Optimisation Toolkit</p>

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**Antenatal Optimisation
for Preterm Infants less than 34 weeks
A Quality Improvement Toolkit**

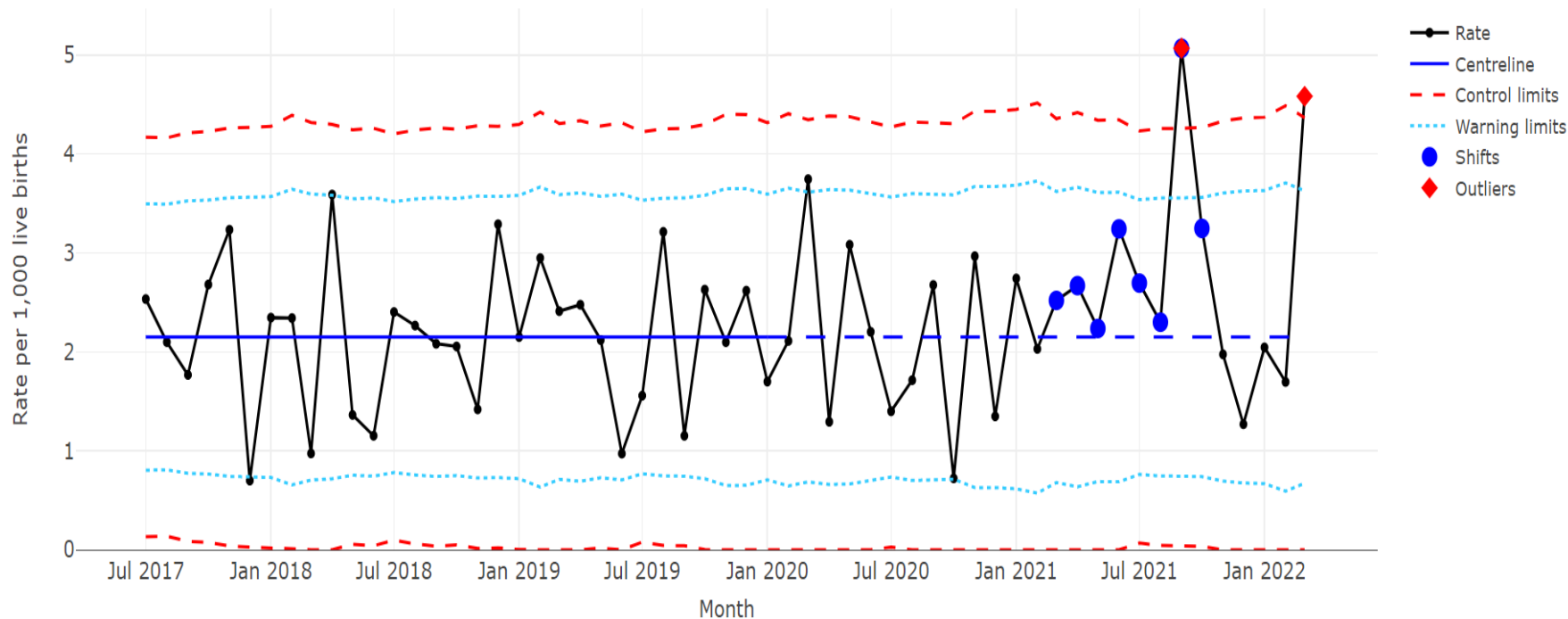
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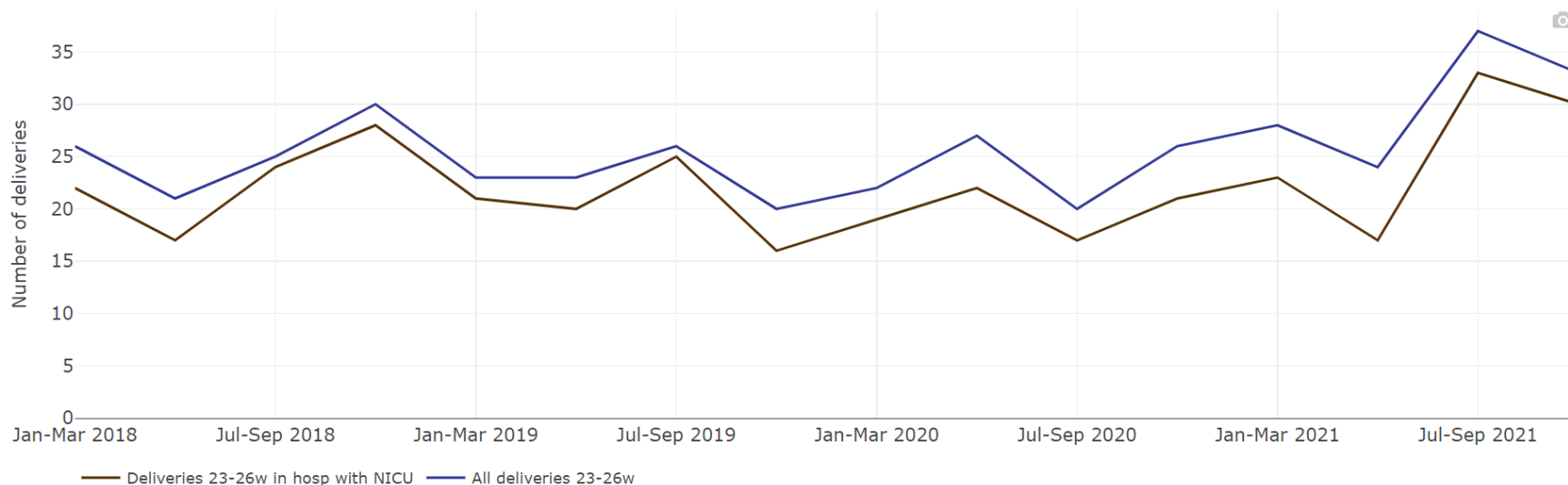
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Neonatal Mortality: Scotland



Impact of Extreme Prematurity

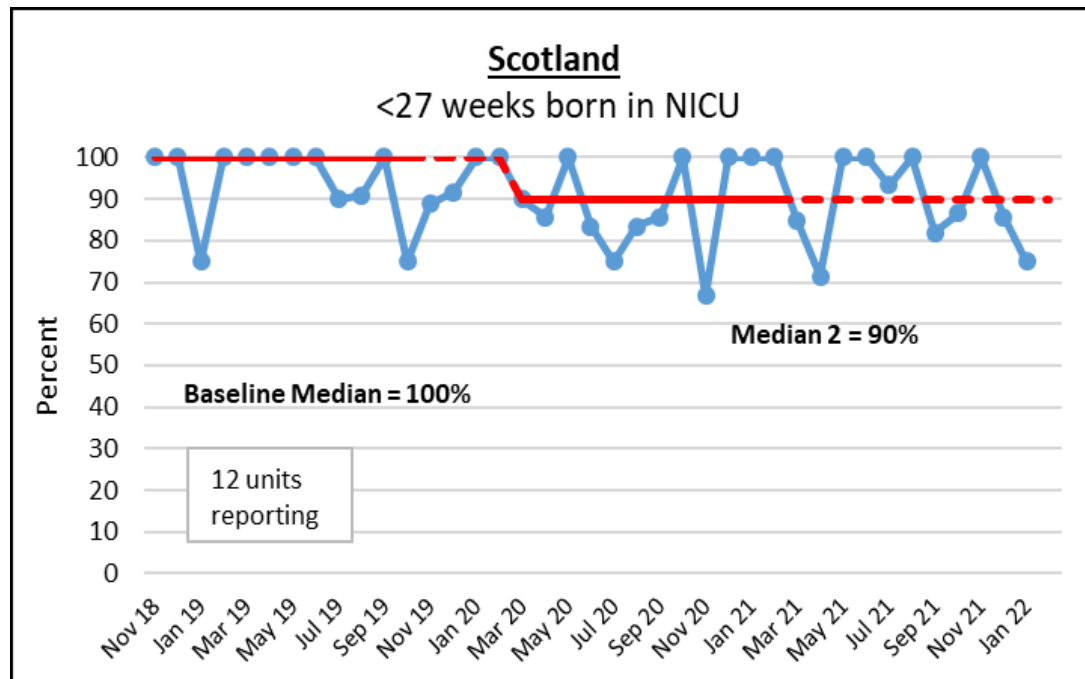
Number of deliveries at 23-26 weeks gestation resulting in a live born baby that occur in a hospital with a neonatal intensive care unit on site: Scotland



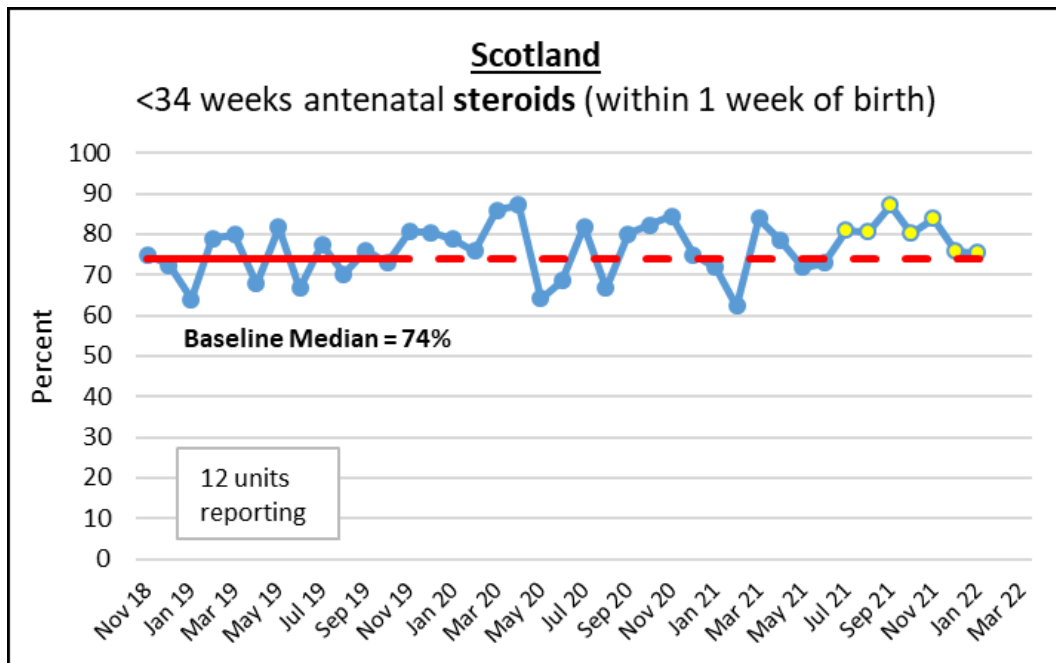
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PPWP – where are we now?

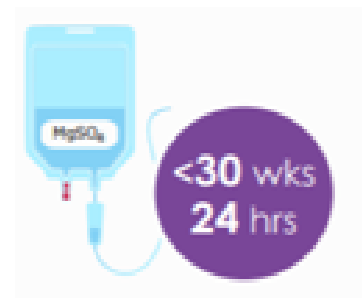
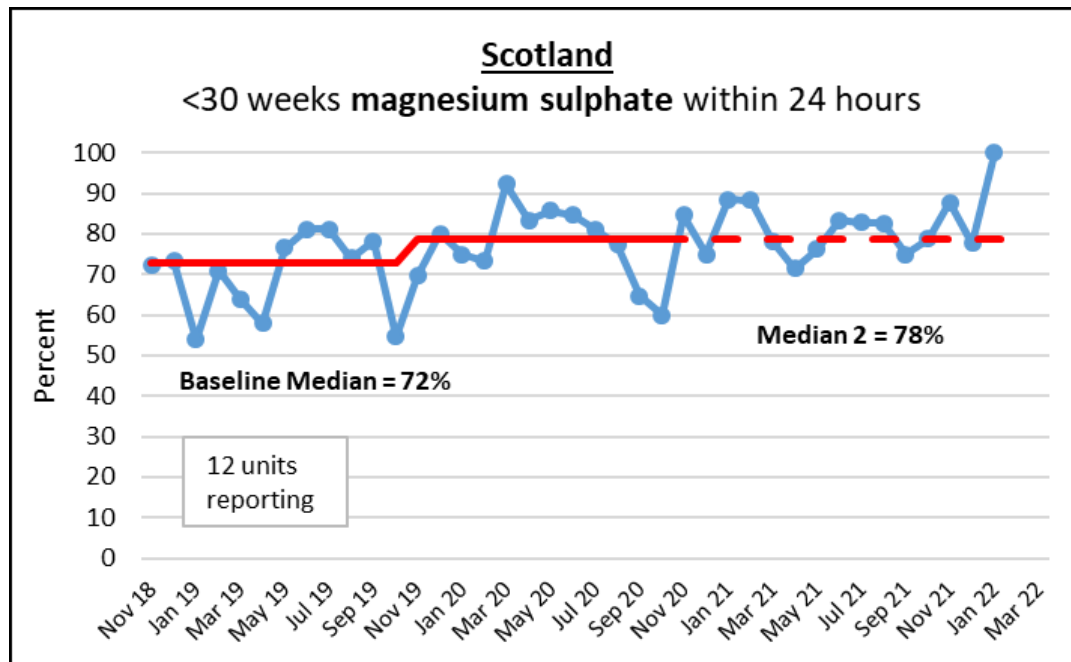
PPWP – Born in NICU



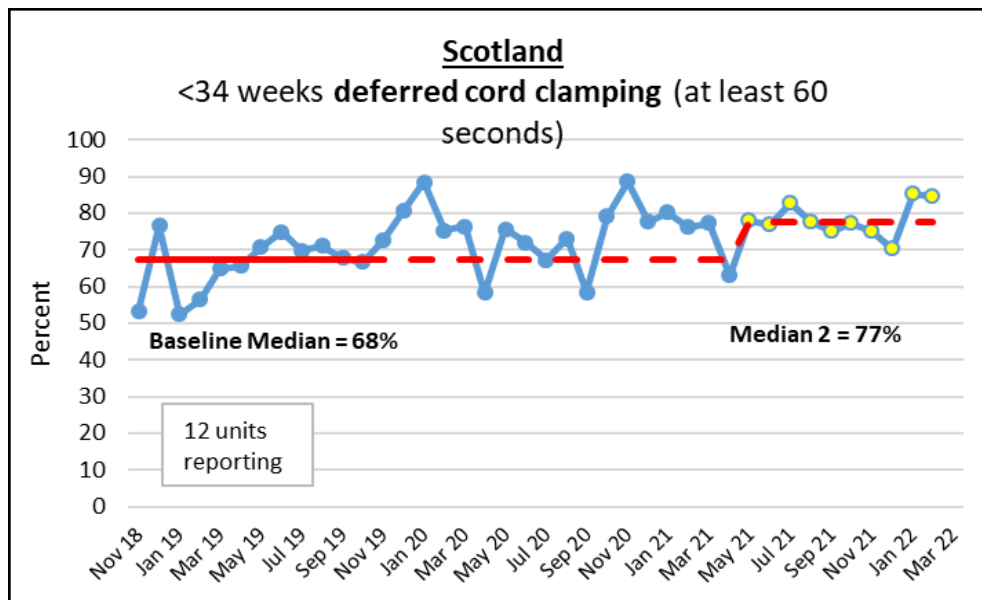
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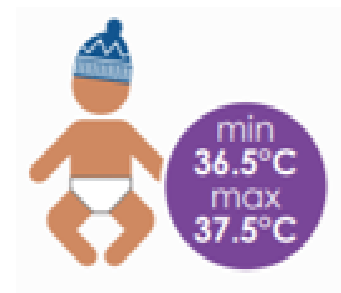
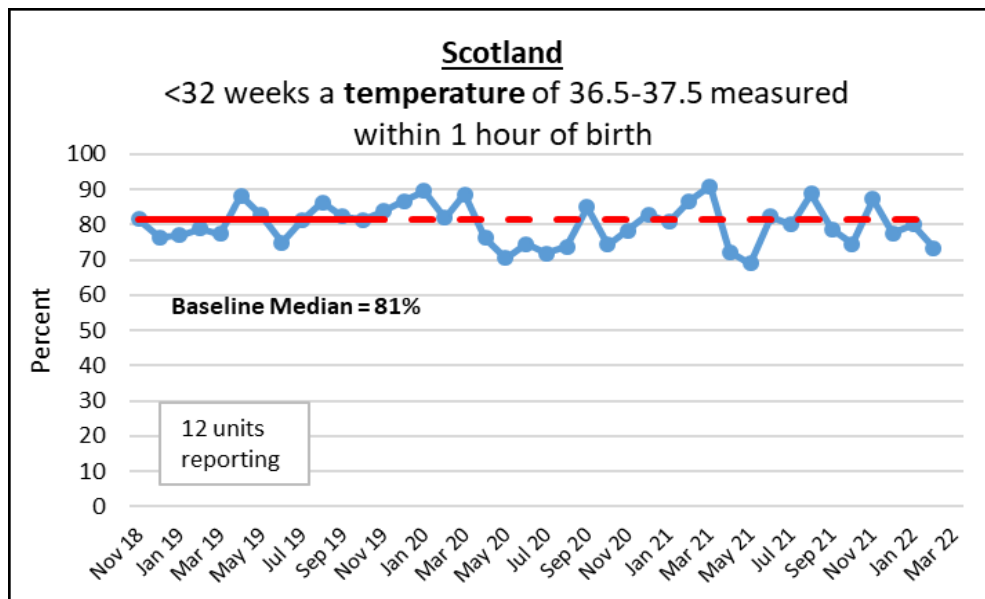
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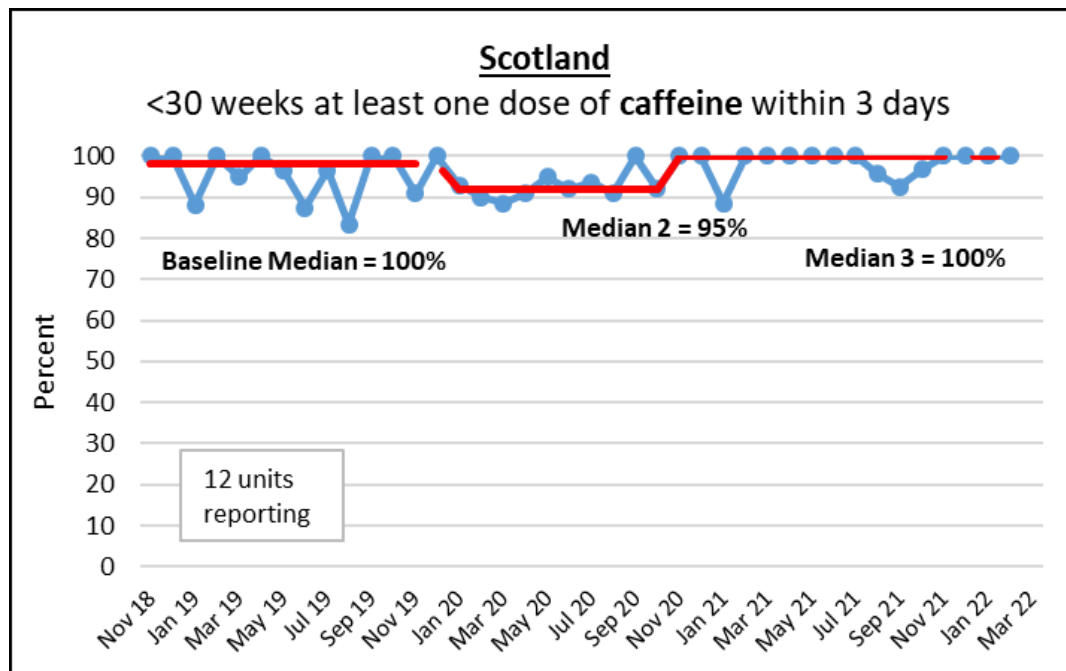
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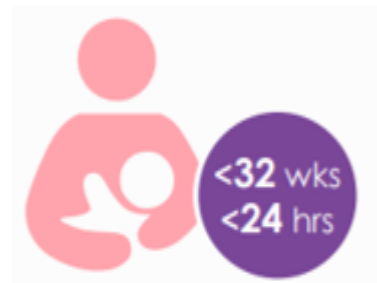
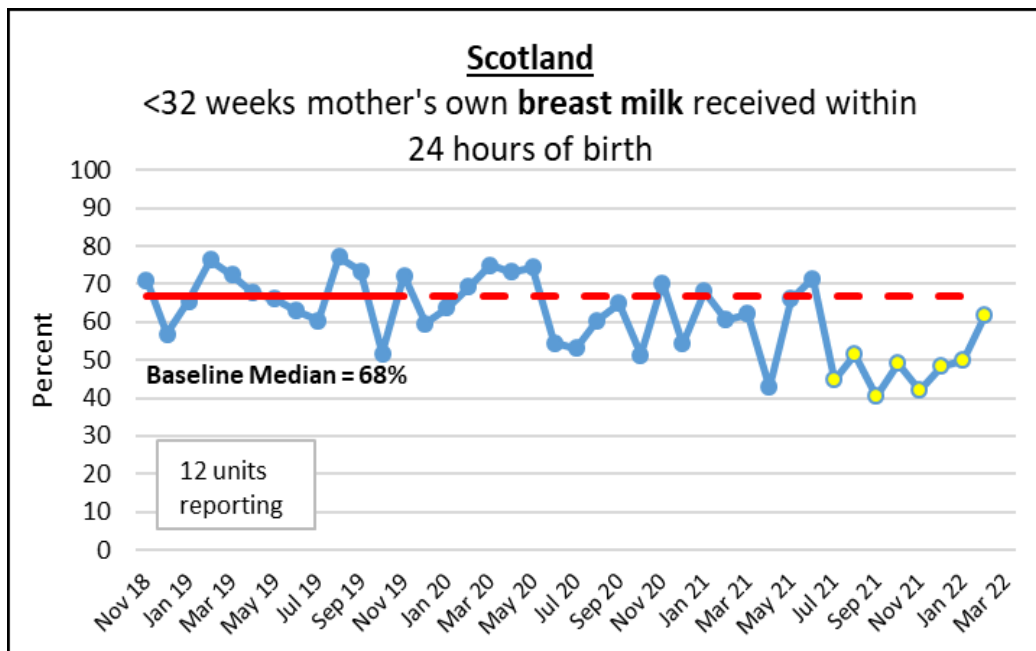
PPWP – Temperature



PPWP – Caffeine



PPWP – Maternal Milk



Board sharing



Preterm Perinatal Wellbeing package in University Hospital Wishaw (UHW) – *successes, challenges & future*



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Delivering The Perinatal Wellbeing Package - UHW

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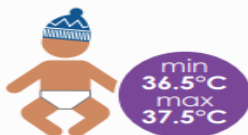


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Maintain Temperature



- Early hypothermia (<36.5°C) increases mortality and risk of brain haemorrhage, NEC and sepsis
- Emerging evidence links early hyperthermia (>38°C) to adverse outcomes

AIM:

Ensure strict thermoregulatory measures to achieve normothermia (36.5 - 37.5°C) within an hour of birth.

Antenatal Steroids



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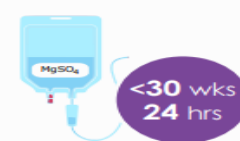


- Safest milk for preterm babies
- Significantly reduces the risk of sepsis and NEC
- Reduces mortality & improves neurodevelopmental outcomes

AIM:

All infants **<32 weeks** should receive maternal milk, ideally within the **first 24 hours** of life.

Magnesium Sulphate



- Reduces risk of cerebral palsy by **30%**
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Early Caffeine



- Reduces apnoea, invasive ventilation and preterm lung disease
- Improves survival without neurodevelopmental disability

AIM:

All infants born **<30 weeks** should receive caffeine within 3 days, **ideally on admission** to NICU.

Deferred Cord Clamping



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To achieve these full benefits, all babies **<34 weeks** should receive deferred cord clamping of a **MINIMUM of 60 seconds**.

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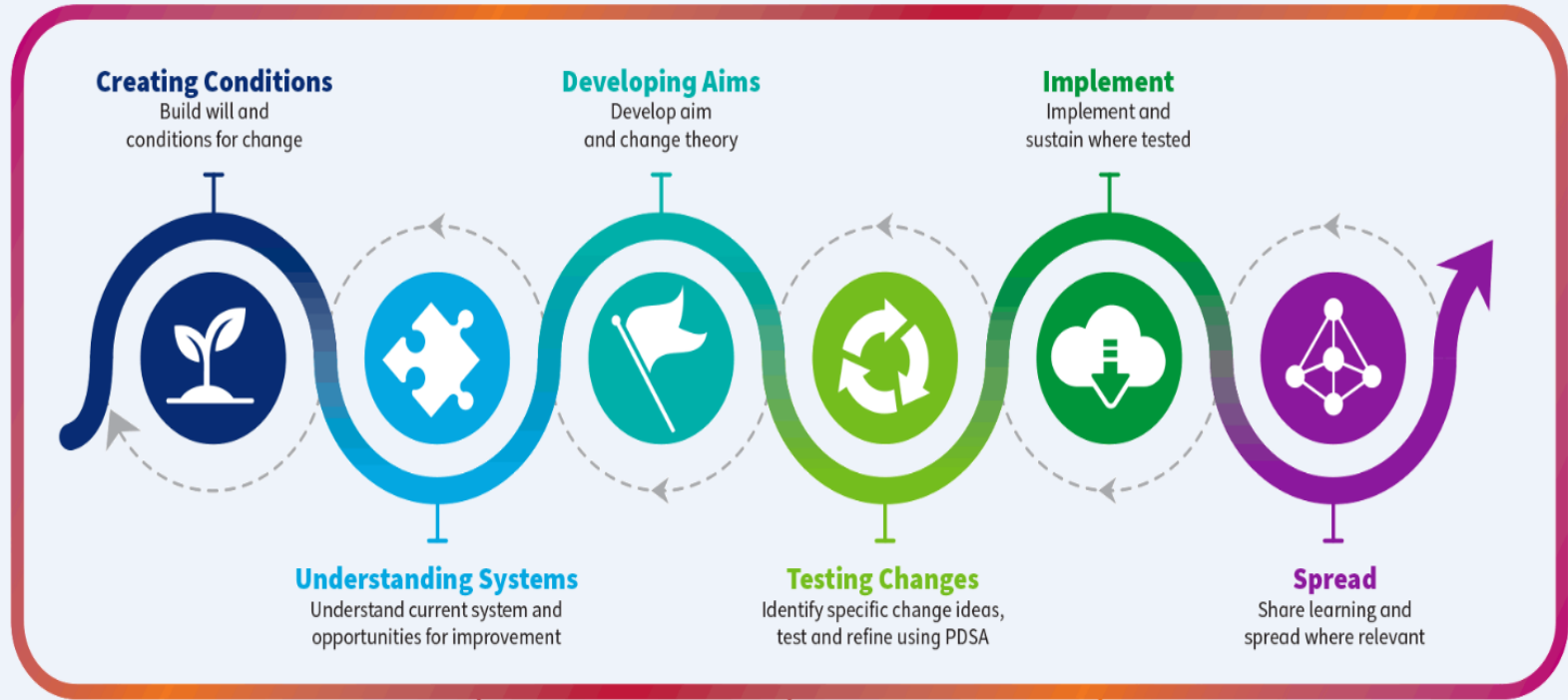
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Aims

Through collaborative working between the Maternity and Neonatal Units, the UHW NICU team will achieve 85% compliance in delivering on all the elements of the Preterm Perinatal Wellbeing Package.

- ☐ Administration of antenatal steroids (within 1week of delivery) @ GA < 34 weeks
- ☐ Administration of Magnesium Sulphate within 24 hours @ GA <30 weeks
- ☐ Optimal Delayed Cord Clamping for \geq 60 seconds
- ☐ Achieve & maintain normothermia
- ☐ Early caffeine in preterms GA < 30 weeks
- ☐ Mothers own milk in within 24 hours in preterms < 32 weeks GA

Quality Improvement Journey



Leadership and Teams



**Project Management
and Communication**

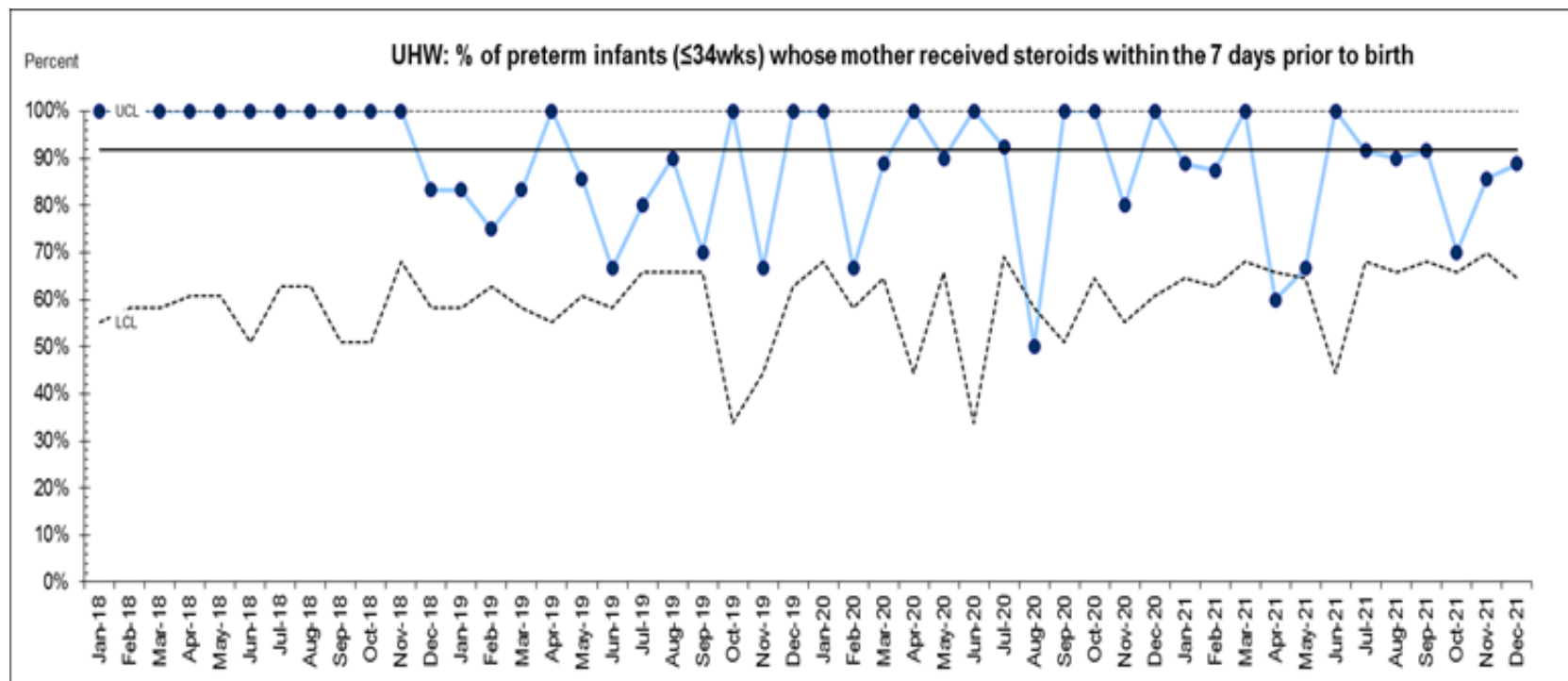


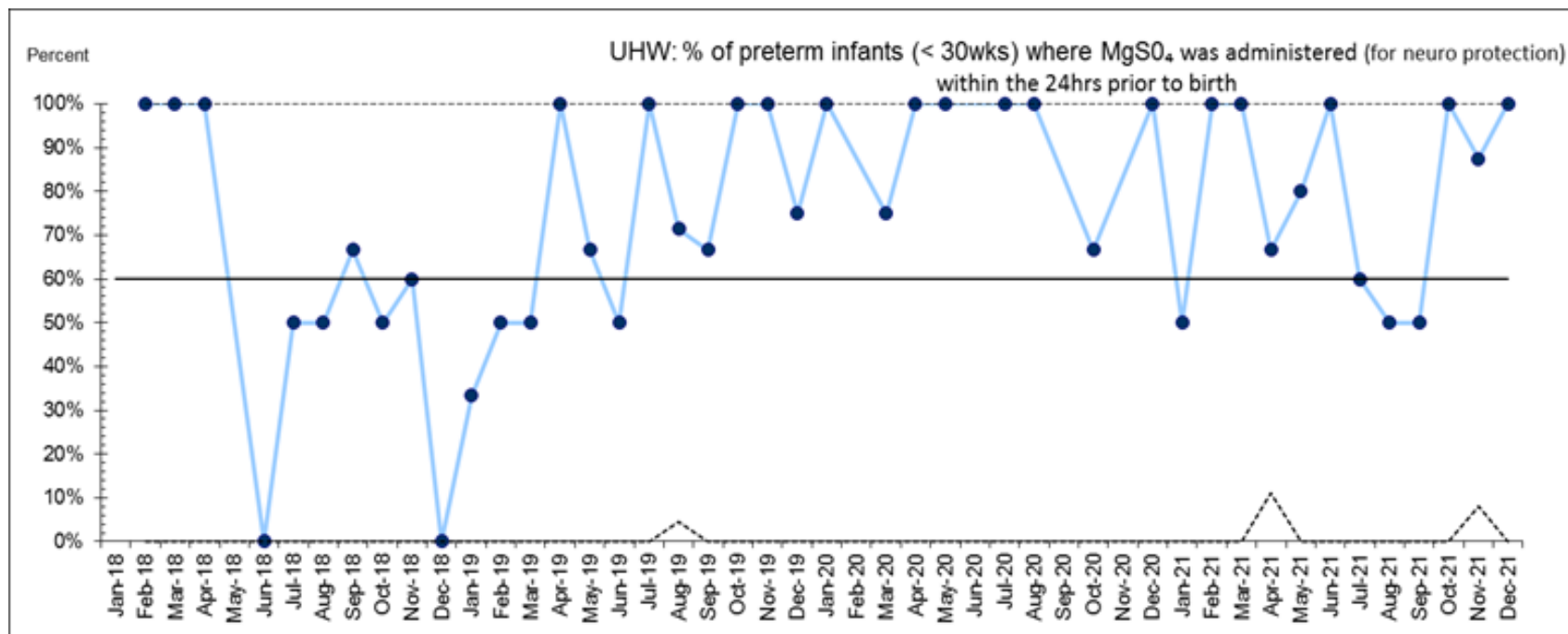
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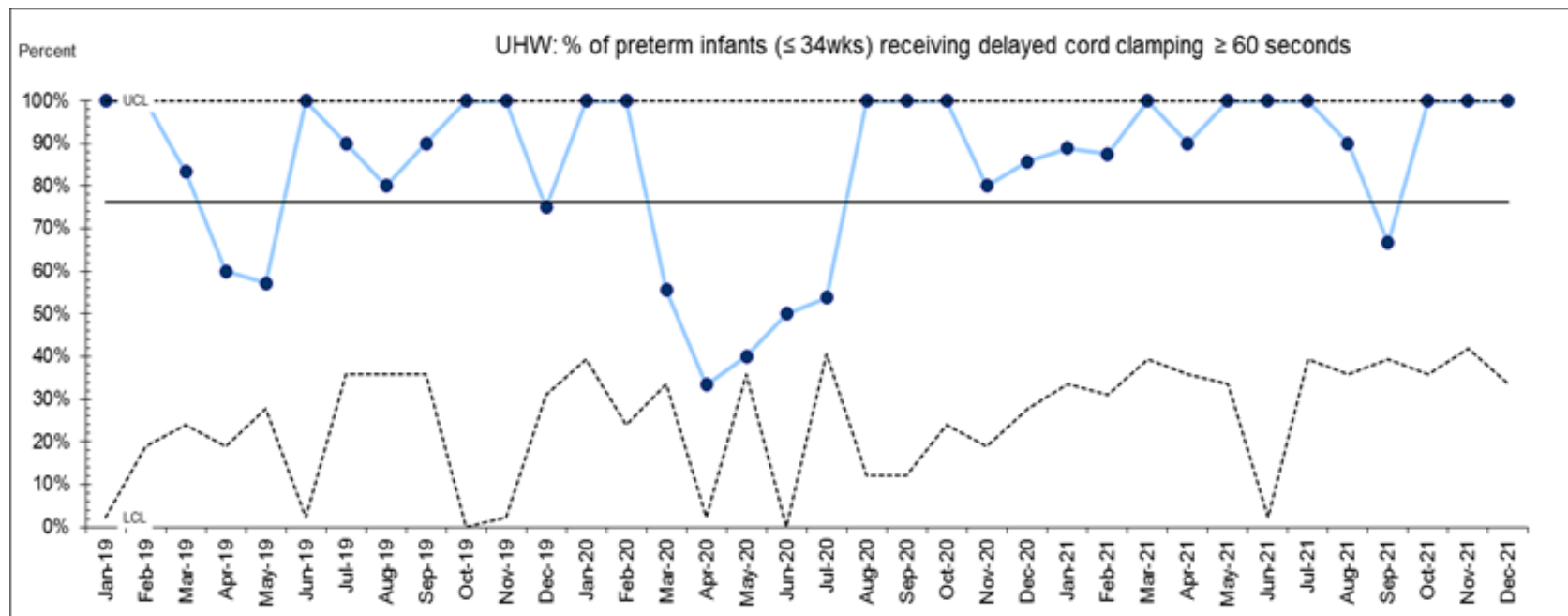
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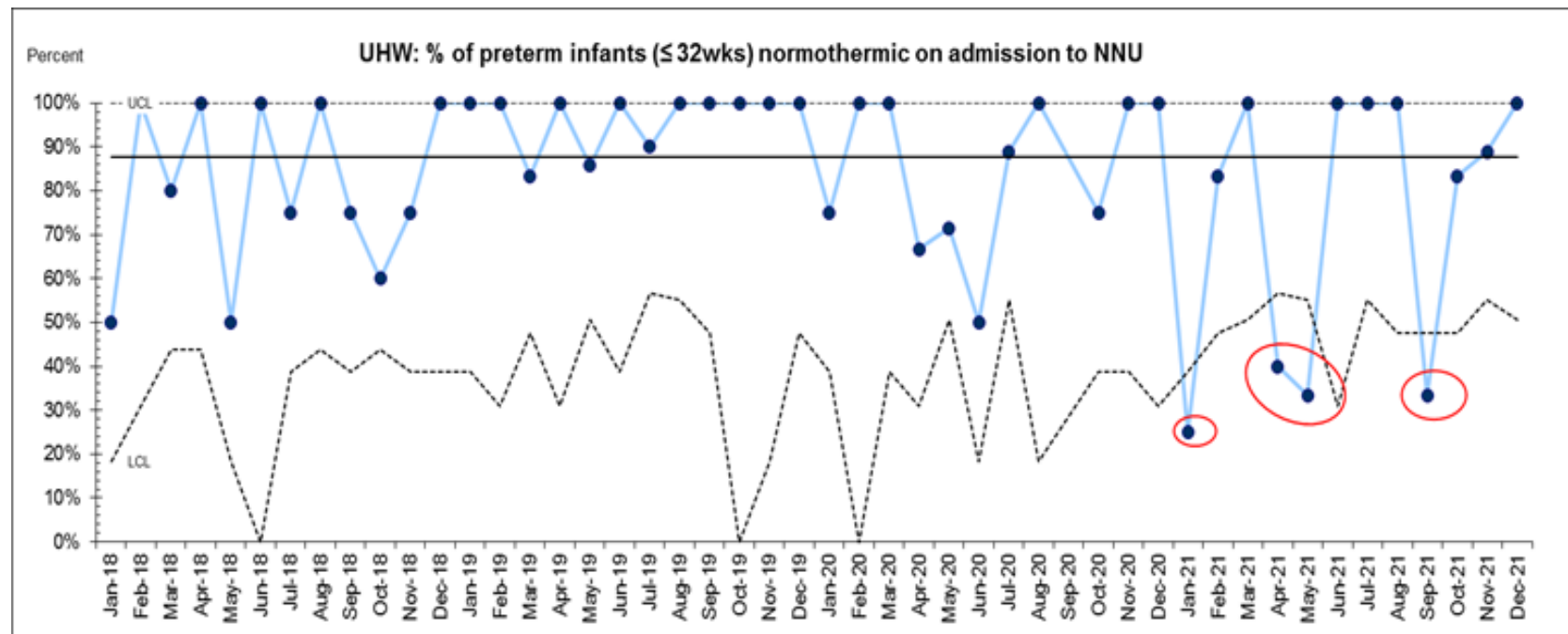
- Data.
- People and teams.
- Processes.
- Culture and mindset.

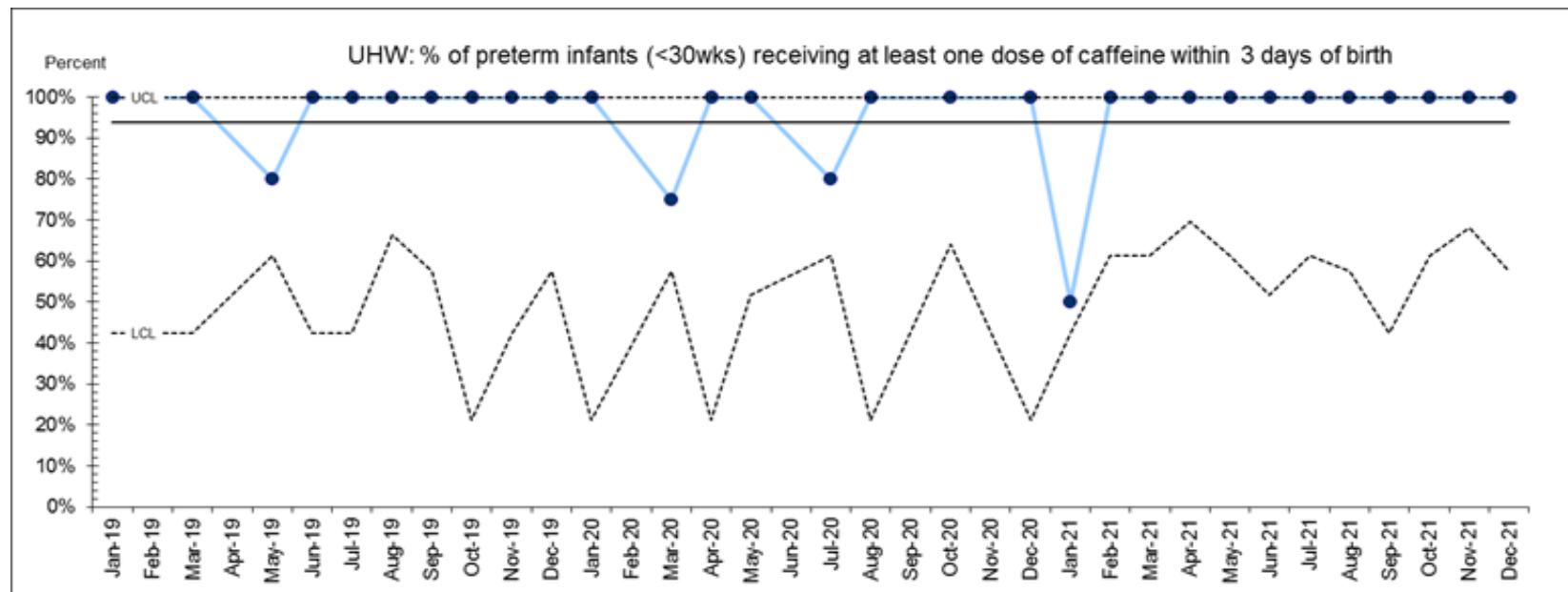
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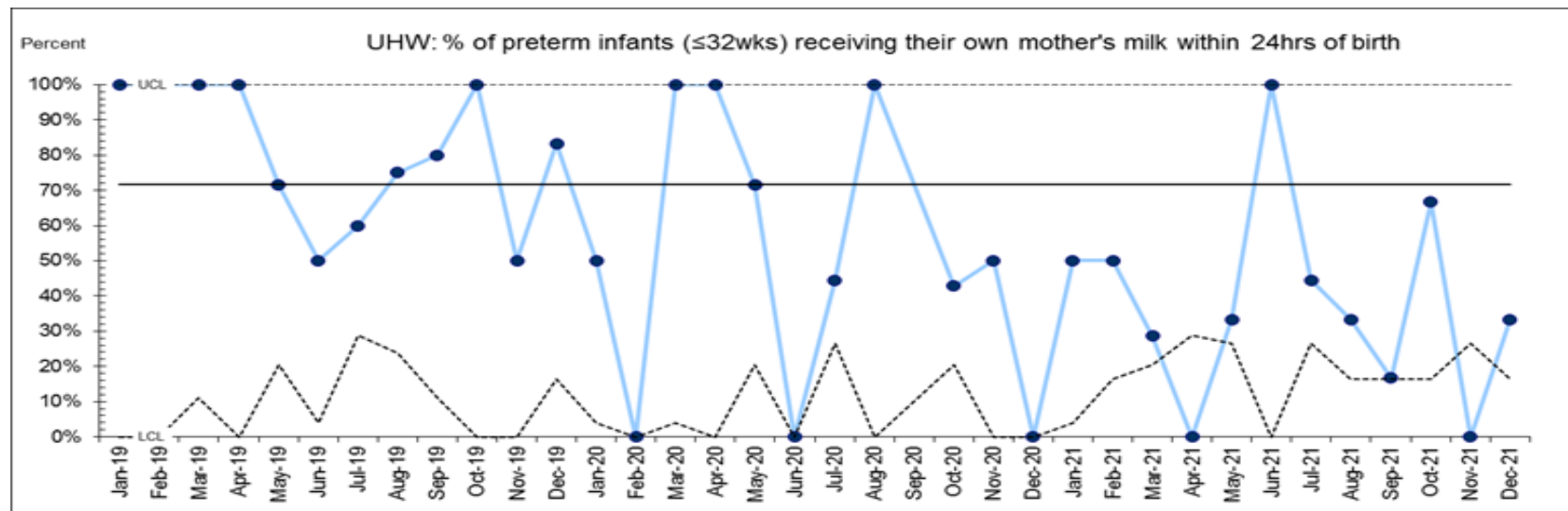






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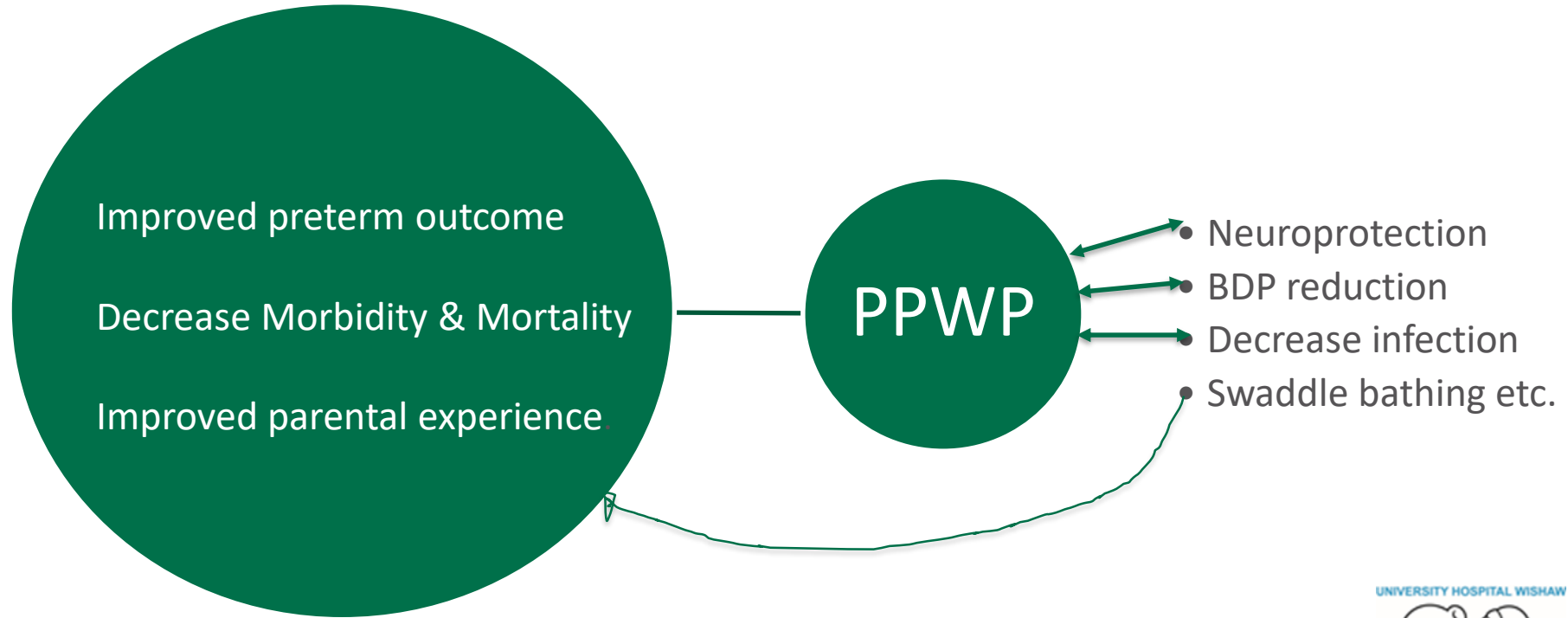




Challenges

- People
 - turn over and capacity
 - culture- local.
- Competing priorities.
- Maintaining drive.
- Data entry/EPR.

NEXT STEPS- The PPWP Lanarkshire extension



Neuro-protection bundle

- **Aim**

To achieve a 30% reduction in significant (grade 3 & 4) IVHs and cystic PVL following implementation of an evidence based neuroprotective care bundle in preterm infants < 30 weeks gestation born in UHW neonatal team.

- **Bundle principles**

- Decrease sudden and large pressure changes.
- Midline positioning and tilt.
- Two person technique cares.
- Positive parental touch

BPD reduction bundle

Bundle principles

- Delivery room practices.
- Risk identification, prognostication & review (MDT) Day 1, 3, 5, (7-10).
- Targeted Haemodynamic optimisation.
- Optimise Nutrition – Dietetics, pro. rease infection.

Preterm BPD reduction Bundle

Maternal Addressograph		Baby's Details Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gestation: _____ + _____ Time of Birth: _____ Indication for Delivery: _____ Mode of Delivery: _____ GBS / ProM Yes / No	
Immediate post delivery Respiratory management			
<25 ⁺ weeks gestation Intubate + Surfactant (* by an experienced intubator) 25 - <32 ⁺ weeks gestation: CPAP within 5 minutes of birth Start Time: _____ (For babies not intubated within the 15 minutes of birth) Method: CPAP Driver / Neopuff (circle all used) Maximum O ₂ administered in Labour Ward / Theatre: _____ % If Intubated in Labour Ward / Theatre: Time: _____ (use Naso-tragal length + 1cm for ETT length to lips) ETT Tube Size: _____ Indication for Intubation: (circle) ↓HR / Hypoxia / ↑WOB / Apnoea / <26wks / Congenital Abnormality Surfactant Administered in Labour Ward / Theatre for all babies <32⁺ weeks: Time: _____ Dose: _____ mg (200/kg 100/kg)			
Thermoregulation:			
Continuous Temperature Monitoring: Yes / No (circle) Temperature on departing Labour Ward / Theatre: _____ °C Temperature on Arrival in Neonatal Unit: _____ °C			
Postnatal Care in Neonatal Unit:			
Admission Phase: Caffeine Prescribed: Y / N (circle) Maternal EBM <12hrs: Y / N (circle) All Babies < 32wks: EBM used for: _____ Consider Premiloc for < 28weeks gestation: Y / N (circle)			
Caffeine Administered within 12hrs: Y / N (circle) Golden Box for Golden Drops to Mum Y / N (circle) Enteral / Mouth care: _____			
Ventilation (tick): No ventilatory support: <input type="checkbox"/> Non-invasive support: <input type="checkbox"/> Invasive support: <input type="checkbox"/> CPAP: _____ cm H ₂ O DUOPAP: _____ cm H ₂ O Maximum FIO ₂ : _____ % Use Volume Guarantee			
If >30% after 30 minutes minimal handling or increase work of breathing or any red flags. Give Surfactant If first Surfactant given in the Neonatal Unit: Time of Decision Making: _____ FIO ₂ at time of decision: _____ % Given within 30minutes of decision: Y / N (circle) Time of administration: _____ FIO ₂ at time of administration: _____ %			
Complications?: _____ Method: (circle) Intubated / LISA / LMA Dose: _____ mg If second Surfactant given: FIO ₂ at time: _____ % Method: Intubated / LISA / LMA If not given Surfactant: Maximum FIO ₂ in first 24 hours: _____ %			
Extubation: Indication for extubation discussed Y / N (circle) Date and Time decision Made: _____ @ _____ Date and Time extubation occurred: _____ @ _____			


NEXT STEPS

- CLABSI – Road to Zero 😊
- Golden hour refocus

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- ❑ NICU nursing & medical team
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Maternal milk and temperature

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GOING FOR GOLD!

Improvement work in PPWP

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OVERVIEW

- ❑ Continual audit of all babies <34 weeks for compliance with PPWP.
- ❑ 2021-22: work on normothermia and maternal breast milk within 24h.
- ❑ Two projects:
 - ❑ Goldilocks – getting the temperature just right
 - ❑ Golden drops – supporting maternal breast milk

WORK SO FAR



- ❑ Goldilocks sticker competition: Single role allocation during preterm birth pre-brief, continuous temperature monitoring during stabilisation with radiant heat adjustment.
- ❑ Rotational nature of junior doctor placements

Not too hot, not too cold, but *JUST RIGHT!*



ADDITIONAL WORK DONE

- ❑ March 2021: Re-launch week
 - ❑ Fresh poster
 - ❑ New graphics shared to the team Whatsapp to provide education on optimising thermal care.
- ❑ Re-shared to subsequent trainees.

GETTING IT JUST RIGHT

Before baby arrives....

Optimise!

- 1.Reduce draughts in room
2. Set resuscitaire to 80% radiant heat
- 3.Have a plastic bag ready
- 4.Don't forget a hat!





GOLDBLOCKS RELAUNCH WEEK

GETTING IT JUST RIGHT

Once baby arrives....

Stabilise!

- 1.Place temp probe **SILVER** side up between scapula
2. Give probe 3 minutes to stabilise
- 3.Document temp and radiant heat every 5 minutes, before leaving resus and on arrival in NNU - ensure this is added to Badger
- 4.Keep baby in bag until early procedures complete



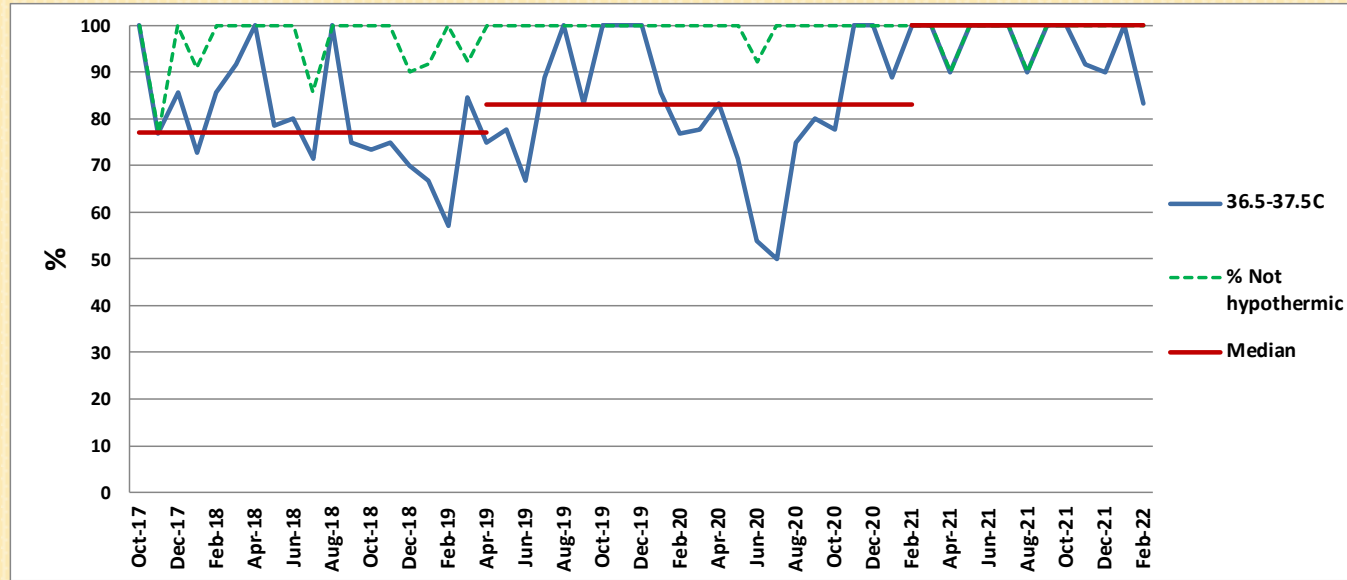


GOLDBLOCKS RELAUNCH WEEK

EARN YOUR STICKER!

GETTING IT JUST RIGHT GOLDBLOCKS RELAUNCH					
	Minimum 36.5	✓			
	Maximum 37.5	✓			
	Everyone's responsibility!	✓			
	Check at least every 5 minutes	✓			
	Reduce adverse outcomes!	✓			
				 	

<32 WEEKS: ADMISSION NORMOTHERMIA



Goldilocks
Launched

Goldilocks
re-launched

ONGOING WORK

- ❑ NNAP 90% target sustained over last year
 - ❑ Ongoing success reflective of cultural change
 - ❑ Embedded change into practice
 - ❑ Shared goal
- ❑ Measures need to be sustainable
 - ❑ Competition element for team enjoyment
 - ❑ Continual education utilising our new resources during “Re-launch weeks” with each new group of doctors rotating.

GOLDEN DROPS: WORK SO FAR

- ❑ Golden Basins for all mums of babies in NNU:
 - ❑ physical equipment to help with expressing
 - ❑ stickers with advice on good practice
- ❑ Staff cards with “Golden tips for Golden Drops”

Golden Basins



- Early priming /expressing (<1 hour of birth) with a pump increases milk by 50% by day 7; double pumping increases supply by a further 18%.
- Massaging the breasts, followed by double pumping for 15 mins and then hand expressing for a few minutes initiates an early supply
- Priming/expressing 8-10 times/24hrs and at least once at night (00:00-05:00) optimises lactation
- Golden Basins support lactation in NNU mothers
- Every drop is precious and should go straight to NNU

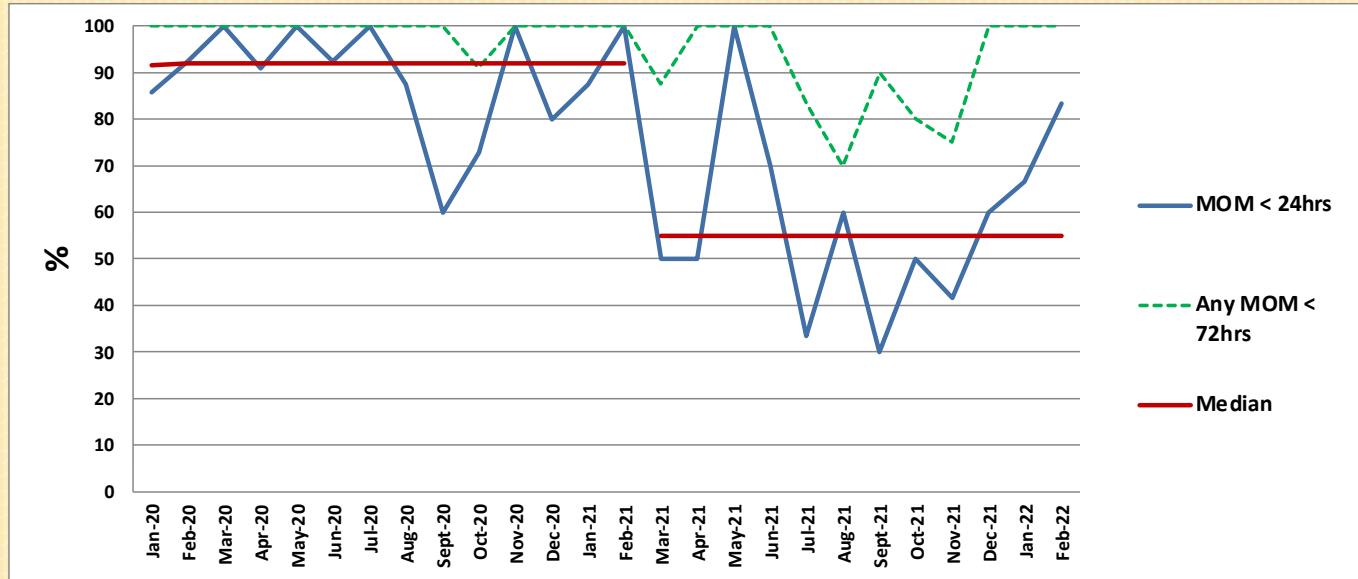
Golden Tips for Golden Drops

Aiming to improve provision of breast milk to 90% in NNU babies

Mother's own milk can prevent NEC, sepsis & poor neurodevelopment. Donor breast milk does not give the same benefits.

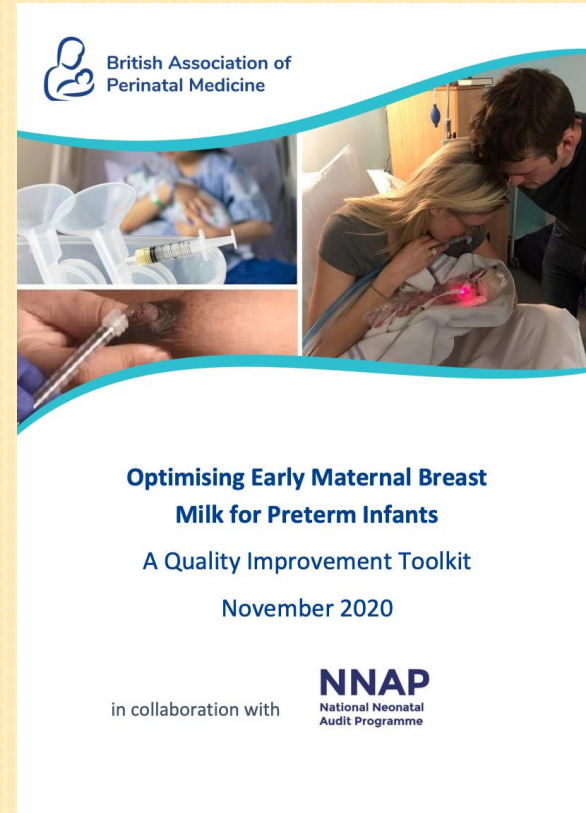


<32 WEEKS: MEBM WITHIN 24 HRS



ONGOING WORK AND CHALLENGES

- ❑ Recognise there have been challenges
 - ❑ Some out with our control ie. Maternal illness, staff disruption
- ❑ Collect more data about barriers to change
 - ❑ Backslash creation for use on TRAK



CONCLUSION

- ❑ The importance of shared goals across the whole perinatal team.
- ❑ Must not become complacent.

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Deferred cord clamping

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The Preterm Bundle: Improving Perinatal Optimisation for Preterm Babies









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Background

Preterm Perinatal Package

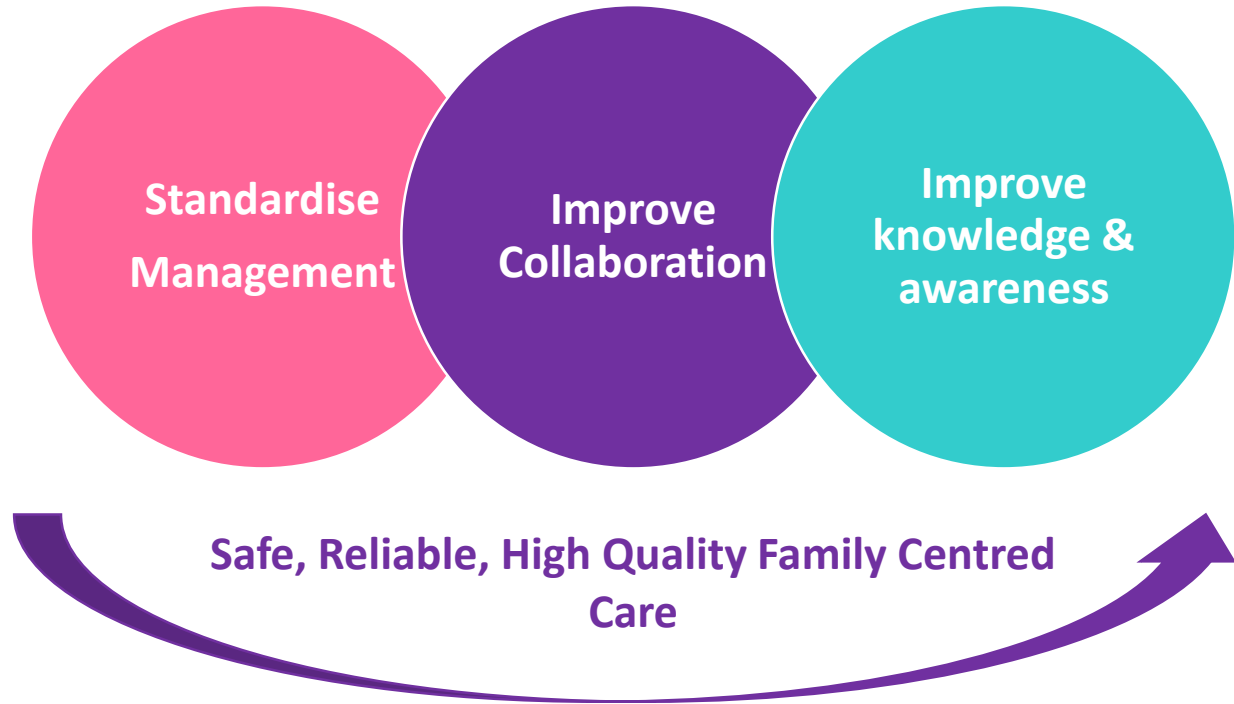
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- Launch of SPSP MCQIC Preterm Wellbeing Package (PPWP) in 2017.
- Local NNAP & MCQIC data showed variable compliance with the various elements of the perinatal optimisation.
- Need for improvement and more collaboration across our teams.

Building Our Team



Aims of the Project



The Preterm Bundle

Preparation

- Ensures the team are organised & equipment checked
- Roles allocated & team huddle undertaken

Pause

- MDT pause to summarise background, highlighting importance of timeous antenatal steroids & magnesium
- Formalise action plan for delivery including DCC & cord bloods

Postnatal

- Optimise thermal care techniques
- Delivery room cuddle for stable babies
- Prompt for early caffeine, hydrocortisone & breast milk





PRM PRETERM DELIVERY BUNDLE FOR <34 WEEKS

1. PREPARATION

TEAM HUDDLE

- Allocate roles
- Clarify delivery plan

EQUIPMENT

- Resuscitaire
- Facemask
- Stethoscope
- Laryngoscope
- ET tube+/-introducer
- Pedi-cap
- ETT fixator
- CPAP/VENTILATOR set up
- +/-SURFACTANT

MONITORING

- Philips X3 monitor
- Saturation probe (right hand)
- Continuous temp probe

THERMOREGULATION

- Room temp _____ °C
- Plastic bag (<32 weeks)
- Warm Linen
- Humidification
- Incubators on pre-warm

CORD BLOODS GRAB BAG

2. PAUSE WITH OBSTETRICS

Baby Name _____ Maternal CHI _____
Date of Birth _____ Indications for delivery _____
Gestation _____ + _____ Mode of Delivery _____
Time of Birth _____ : _____ GBS/PROM YES ☐ NO ☐

- **ANTENATAL STEROIDS** Aim: FOR ALL BABIES, GIVEN WITHIN 1 WEEK OF BIRTH
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐
Last dose: ____/____/____ at ____:____ 1st dose ☐ 2nd dose ☐
- **MAGNESIUM SULPHATE** Aim: FOR ALL BABIES <30 WEEKS, GIVEN WITHIN 24 HOURS OF BIRTH
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A ☐
- **DEFERRED CORD CLAMPING** Aim: FOR ALL BABIES TO RECEIVE MINIMUM 60 SECONDS DCC
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐
Reasons if no OR if <60secs: _____
- **CORD BLOODS** Aim: ALL BABIES <30 WEEKS FOR ADMISSION BLOODS VIA CORD (2ml)
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐

3. POSTNATAL

- Respiratory support at birth SVIA ☐ CPAP ☐ Ventilation ☐
- Delivery Room Cuddle YES ☐ NO ☐ Duration _____ mins Well tolerated? YES ☐ NO ☐
Reasons if no cuddle _____
- Admission Temperature _____ °C (on arrival in transport incubator)
Blood sugar _____
- **CAFFEINE** Aim: ALL BABIES <30 WEEKS TO RECEIVE CAFFEINE <72 HRS OF AGE
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐
- **MEBM** Aim: FOR ALL BABIES <32 WEEKS TO RECEIVE MEBM WITHIN 24 HRS
Achieved: YES ☐ NO ☐











Preterm Huddle & Pause



Education

- Need for an education to underpin the preterm bundle.
- Multiple MDT bite size sessions, running regularly and repeated over time to ensure learning retained.

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Temperature  <1h ≥36.5 ≤37.5 <32	Mum's Milk  <24h <32	Caffeine  <3d <27	<34w 

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7 days

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Deferred Cord Clamping



wait minimum 60s

- Reduces mortality by 32%
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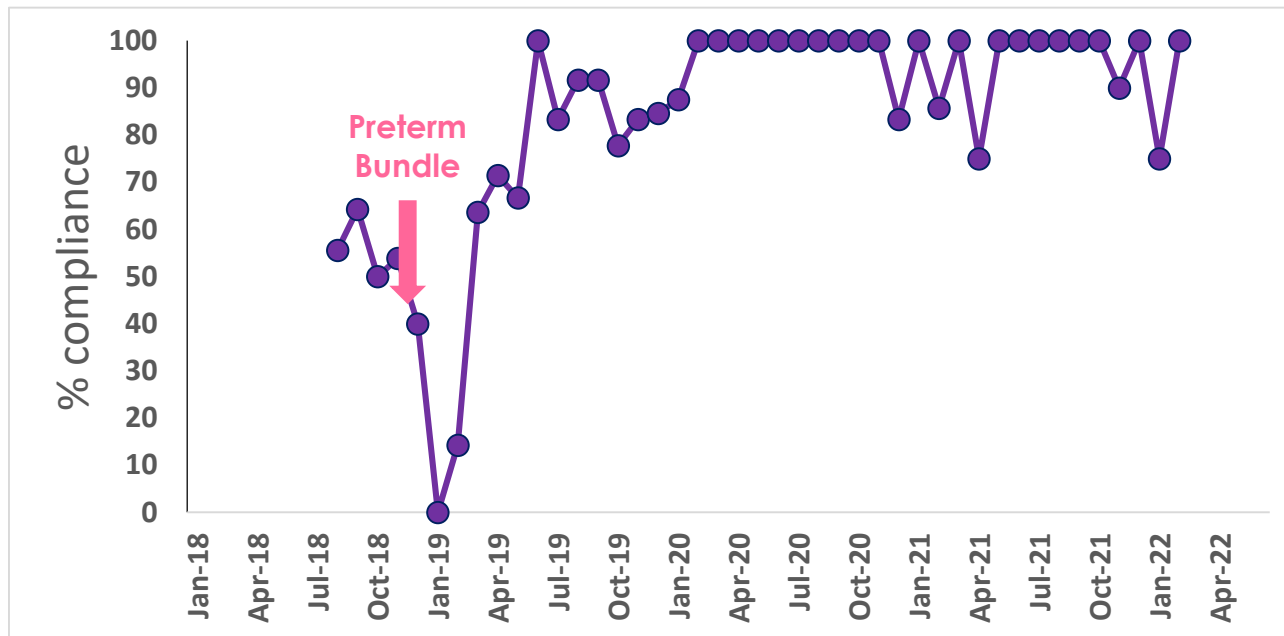
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2018

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2021

80%



Results



2018

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(93%)

63%



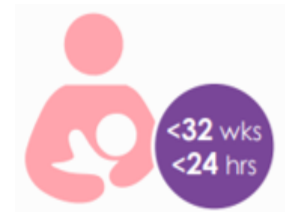
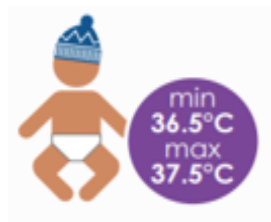
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85%



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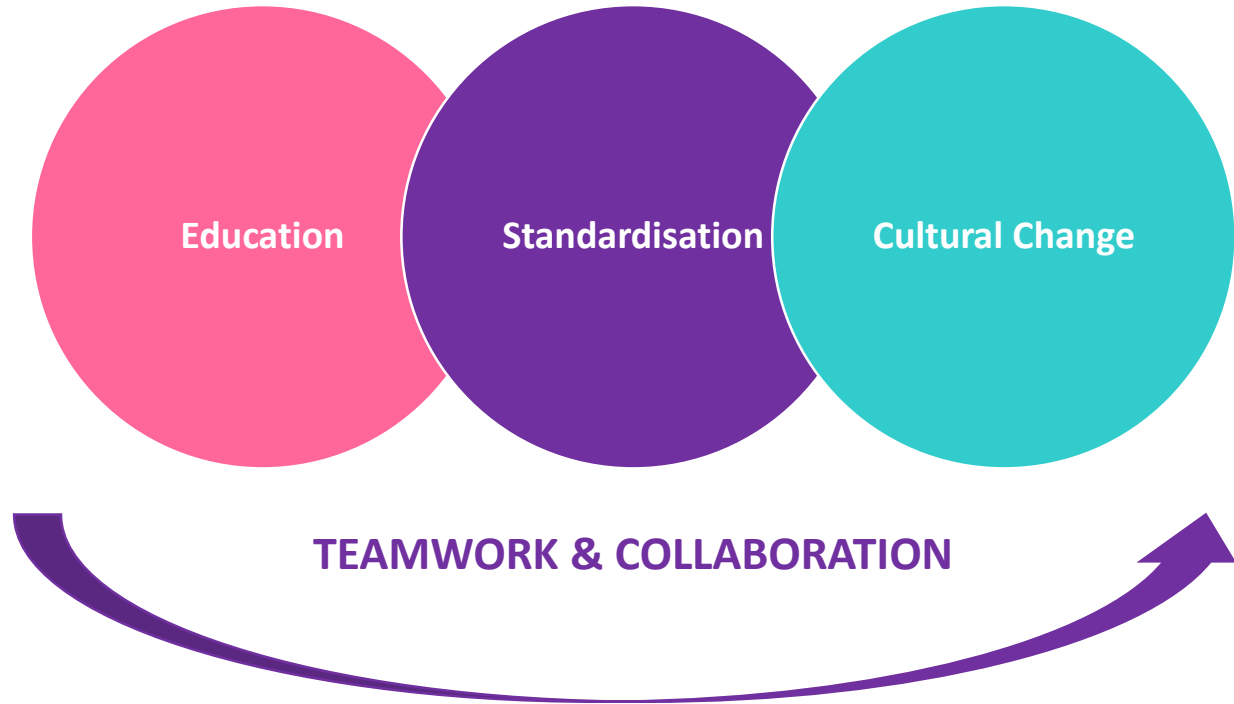
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60%



Keys to Success



Challenges

- Ownership of work & data across specialties
- Timing of administration of steroids
- Late presentation of preterm labour in extreme preterm population
- Covid challenges & impact on care



Scale Up & Spread

- The Preterm Bundle is fully embedded as routine practice.
- Shared & adapted for use with across Glasgow & multiple units throughout UK.
- Branding of all preterm optimisation work to ensure consistency in messaging.



Next Steps

- Introduction of Lifestart machine
- Building on perinatal collaboration – MDT champions for all elements of the bundle.
- Focus on other areas most in need of improvement – optimal steroid timing & maternal EBM



B4 34 branded pathway

Dr Colin Peters

Consultant Neonatologist
Clinical Director for Neonatal Services
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Improve What?

- BAPM Antenatal Optimisation
- MCQIC Preterm Perinatal Wellbeing Package
- MCQIC NEC
- MCQIC BPD

- All data presented is for the purpose of QI and is not fully ratified

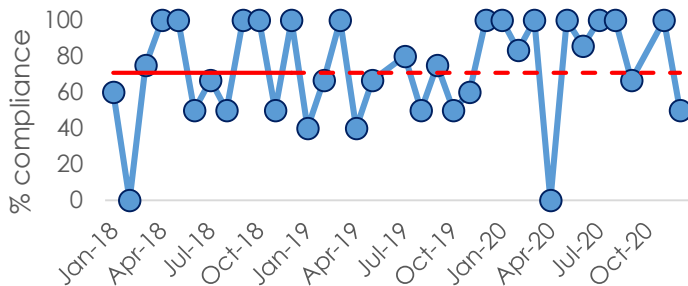
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- **T**ransfer to QEUH or PRM
- **A**ntibiotics
- **M**agnesium Sulphate
- **P**arent Discussion
- **E**valuate for Tocolysis
- **D**elivery Plan

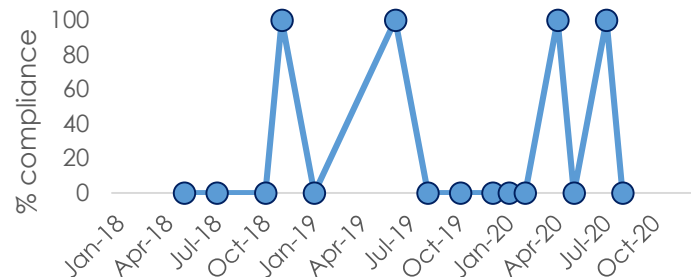


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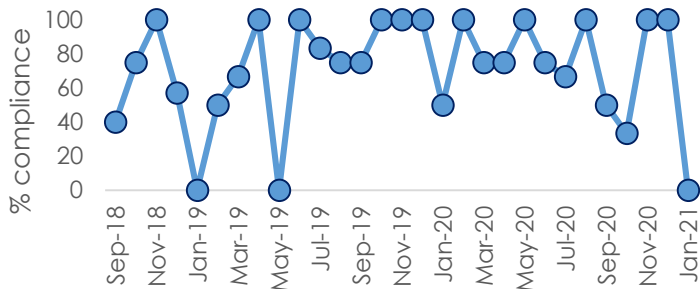
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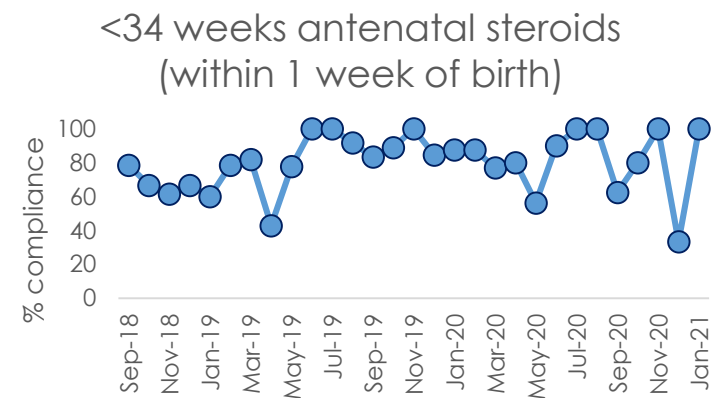
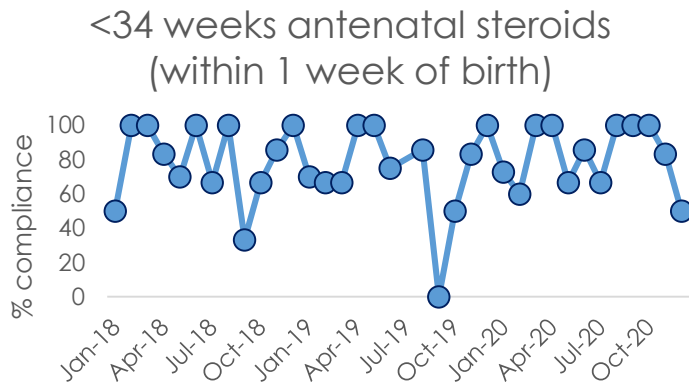
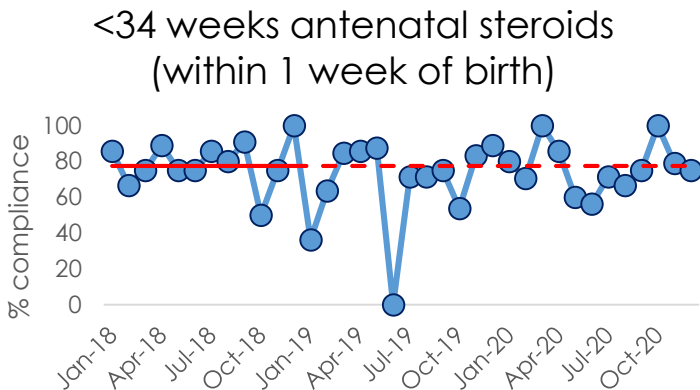


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PRM

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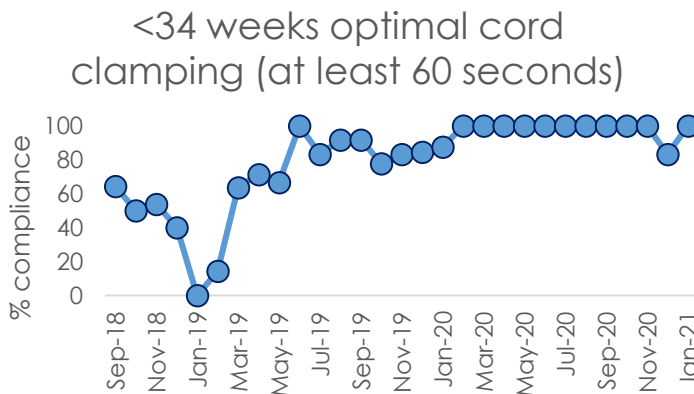
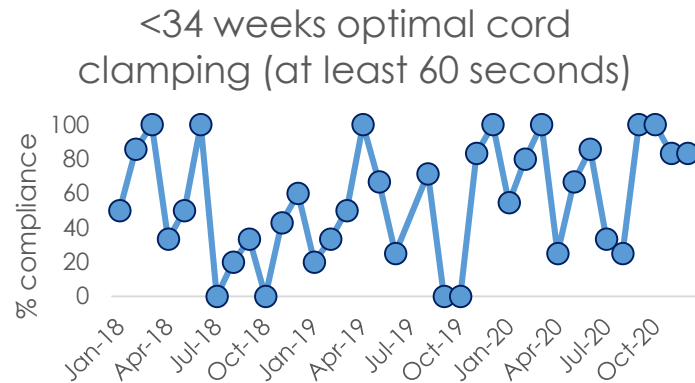
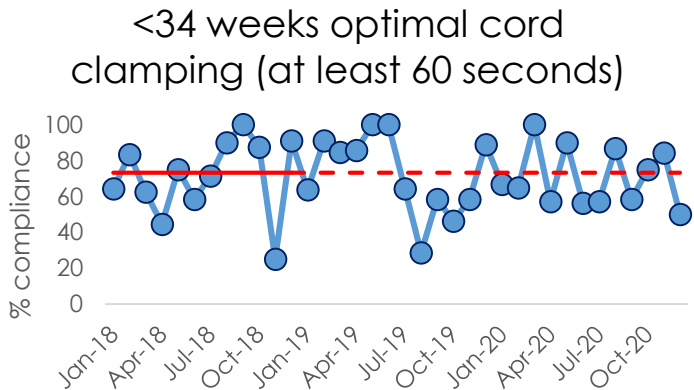


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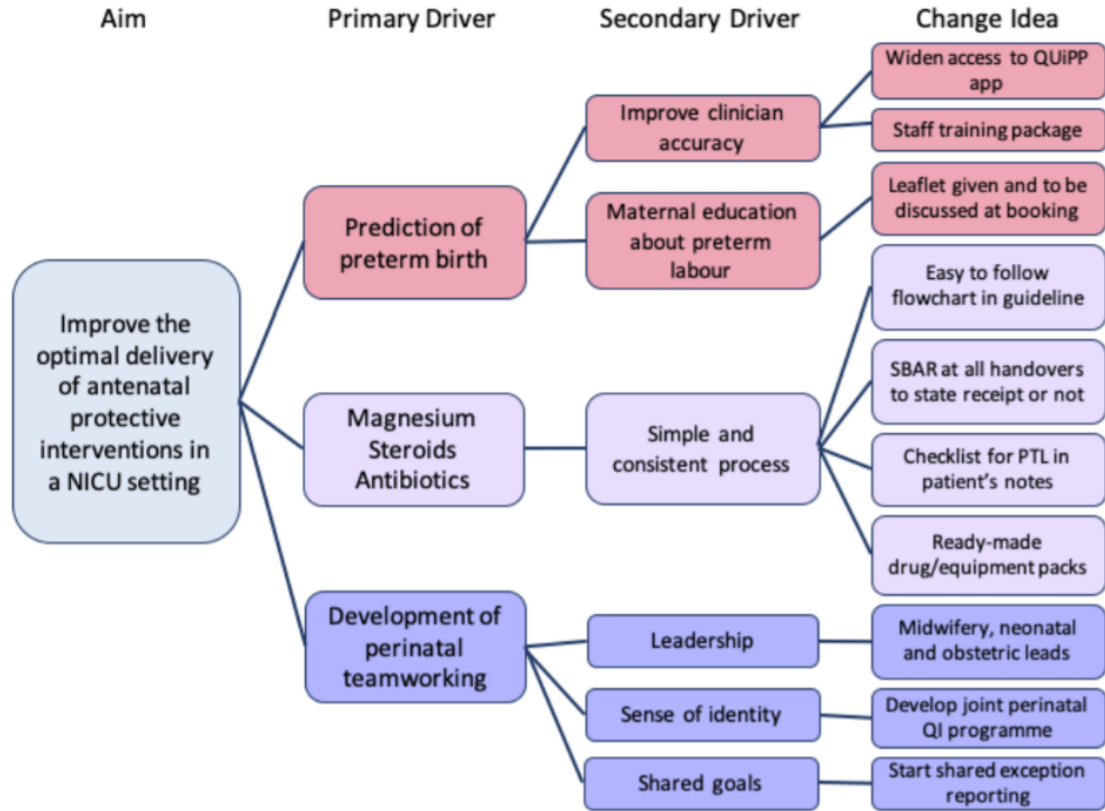


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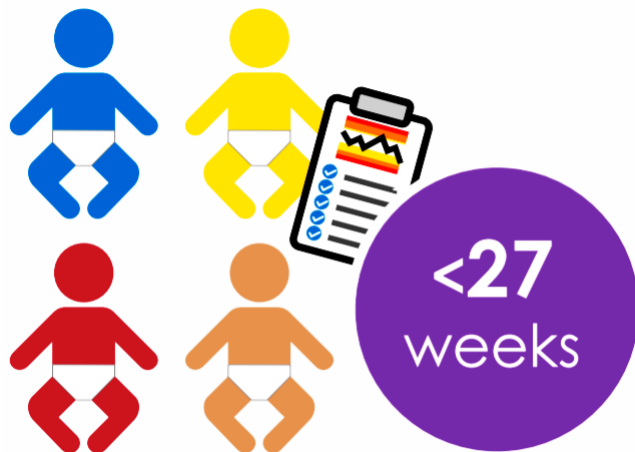


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The Preterm Bundle

◀ 34

NICU Delivery



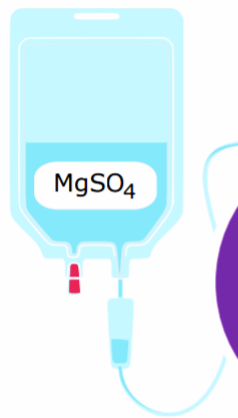
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Steroids



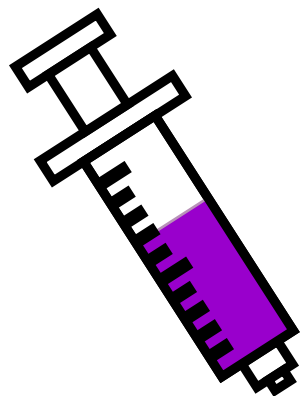
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Antibiotics

<37
wks

- Antibiotics given at least 4h before birth reduces the risk of GBS sepsis from 12.5% to 1.6%

AIM

All women in established preterm labour receive intrapartum antibiotic prophylaxis to prevent early onset GBS, irrespective of whether they have ruptured amniotic membranes.



Pre Delivery Prompt

The form is titled 'B4 34 The Preterm Bundle' and includes a red arrow icon with the number 34. It contains several sections for clinical documentation:

- Antenatal - parents informed during the pregnancy:** Includes checkboxes for 'Information shared at 22weeks appointment' and 'Antenatal - Assessment Unit / Ant Wd / Labour Wd'.
- Antenatal - Preparation:** Includes checkboxes for 'Thermoregulation: room temp', 'Plastic Bag (32wks)', 'Warm Linen', and 'Incubator on pre-warm'.
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- A tool for midwifery, obstetric and neonatal teams to support the delivery of evidence based practice for babies born before 34 weeks

AIM

To use the prompt for all women who present before 34 weeks and at the time of all births before 34 weeks.

Optimal Cord Clamping

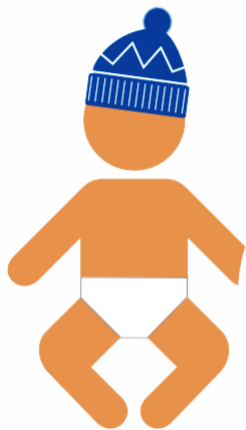


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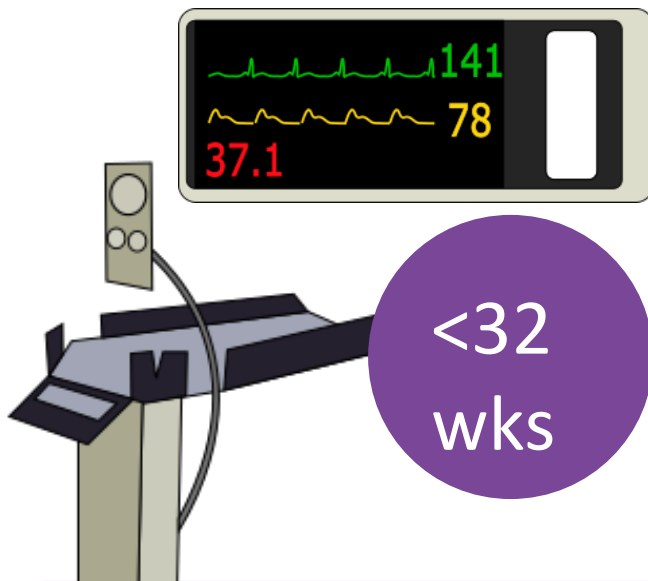
min
36.5°C
max
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- Hyper and hypothermia are strongly linked to poor outcomes.
- Every 1°C below 36.5°C increases mortality by up to 28%

AIM

Maintain temperature of 36.5°C - 37.5°C for all infants within an hour of life. Plastic bags for <31 wks.
Consideration of warm towels and transwarmers.

GetSET

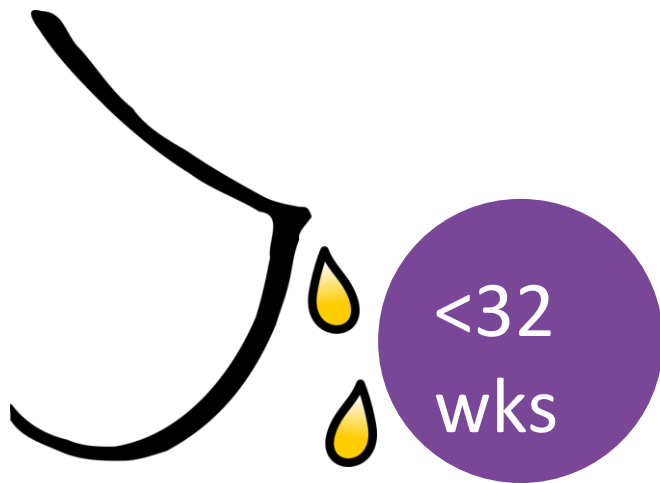


- Use of saturation monitor, ECG leads and continuous temperature monitoring helps achieve goals.

AIM

To use **S**aturation, **E**CG and continuous **T**emperature monitoring for all babies <32 weeks.

Mum's Expressed Breast Milk



- Early expressing helps establish maternal milk supply.
- Promotes gut maturation and feed tolerance.
- Reduces the risk of serious infection.

AIM

All infants **under 32 weeks** should receive maternal milk within the **first 24 hours** of life. Even better if within **6hrs**.

Express Yourself

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Express Yourself QI Group

Ensuring Preterm babies receive maternal breast



Maternal breast milk is liquid gold
Aim to improve babies exposure at all stages

The Express Yourself Team

Royal Hospital for Children and Queen Elizabeth Maternity Hospital,
Glasgow



Early Caffeine



- Improves respiratory outcomes by reducing apnoea and the need for ventilation.
- Reduction in premature lung disease.

AIM

All infants born under 30 weeks to receive caffeine within 72 hours of life.

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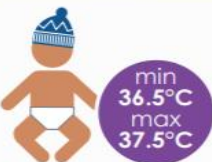


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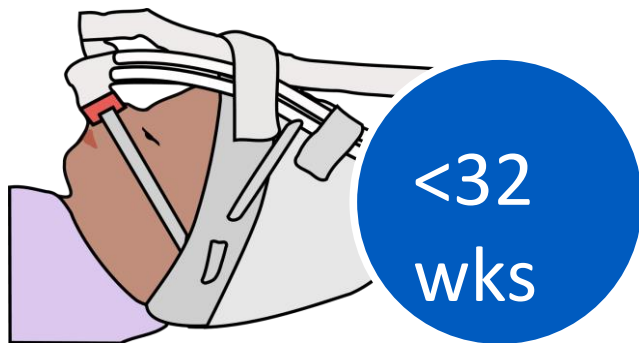
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Early Effective CPAP



- Early effective CPAP should be first line management in LWd.
- Apnoea in the first 15 mins with good HR can be managed with IPPV by mask.

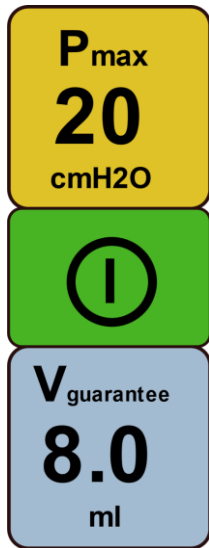
AIM

Apply CPAP by prongs or mask by 5 mins for all babies <32 weeks. (consider ETT if <25+0).



The Respiratory
D Bundle

Volume Limited Ventilation



<32
wks

- Avoids volutrauma
- Reduces risk of developing BPD
- Choose parameters to minimise leak

AIM

Use Volume Limited ventilation throughout the first ventilated episode for all babies <32 weeks

MCQIC
BPD Reduction
Package

Surfactant



>30%
 FiO_2

- FiO_2 >30% after 30m minimal handling
- Consider if increased breathing effort
- Consider if no steroids antenatally
- Surfactant for all ventilated & <32wks

AIM

Give surfactant **within 30mins** of a decision to administer. Give in labour ward if intubated.

Tests of Change

Poster en Route to Labour Ward



Welcome to the Neonatal Unit

I have received ... my Bookbug bag ☐ Our NICU Journey ☐ Inky Feet ☐ Date _____

If my mum is expressing 1st buccal colostrum given ☒ 2200h 6/12/21

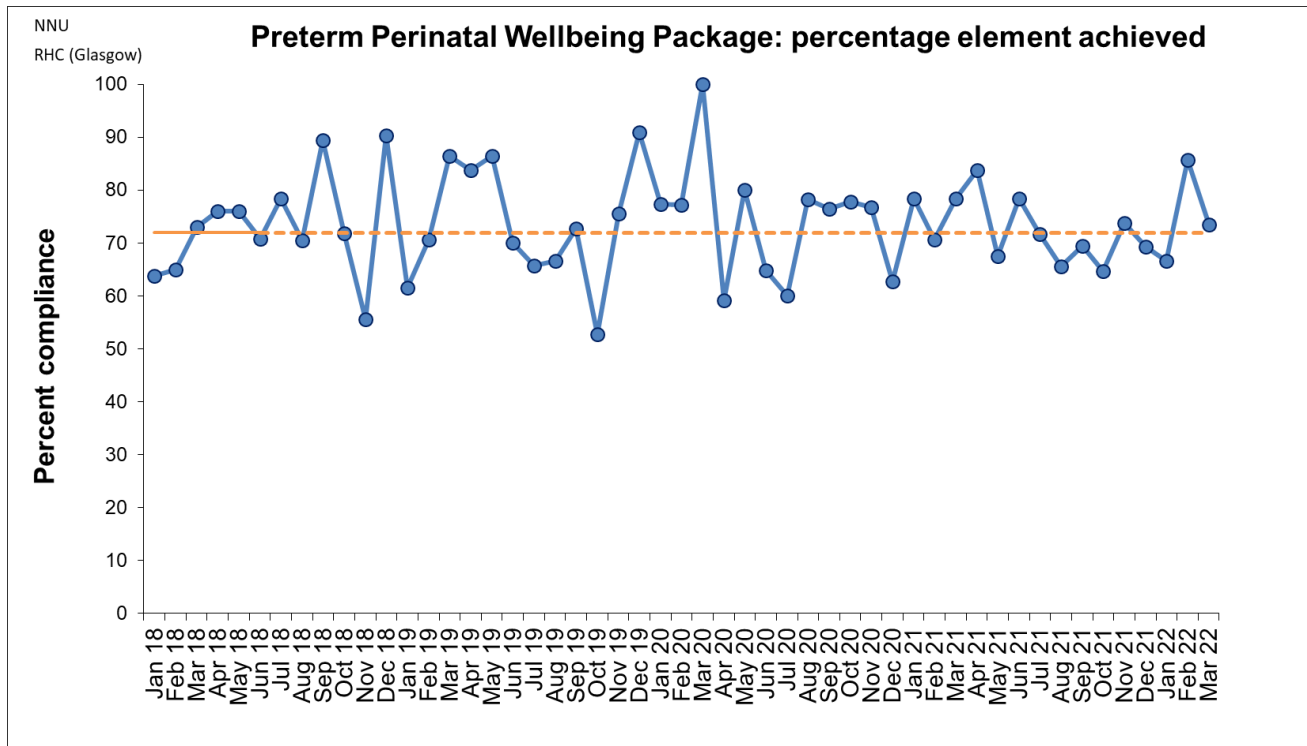
Expressing Kit Given ☒ ^{SG} Shown how to use breast pump ☒ UNICEF Expressing Assessment ☐

A loan pump and information on using it ☒ ^{SG} 7/12/21 How to store and warm my milk ☒ ^{MA at present}

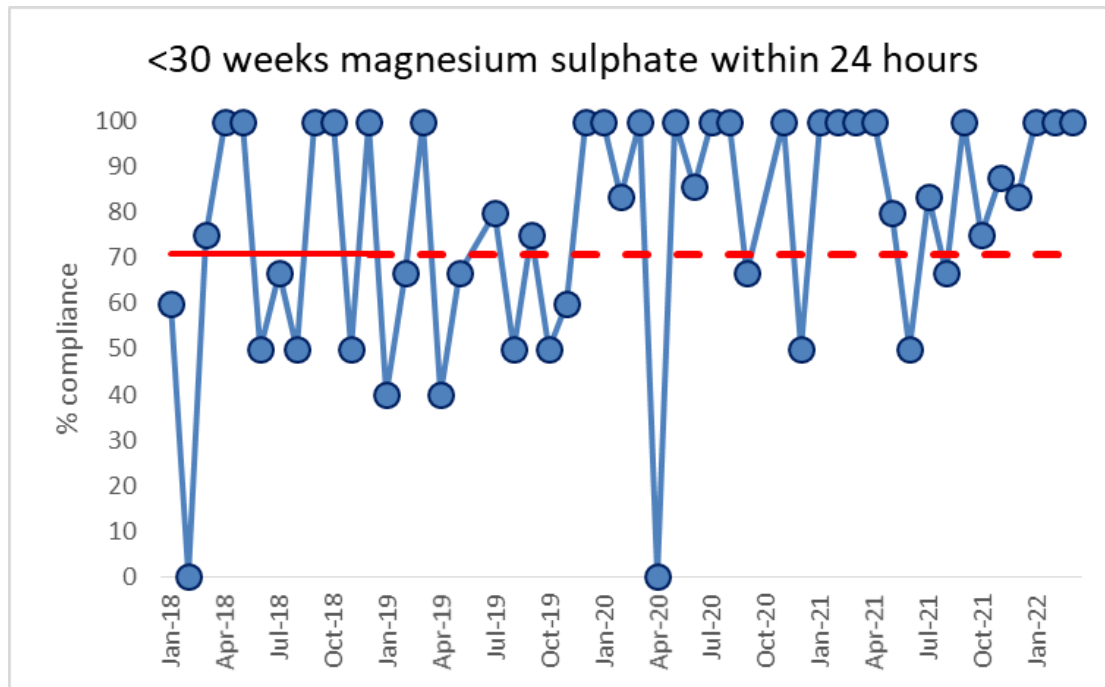
Newborn Screening ...

I have a prompt card on my cot ☒

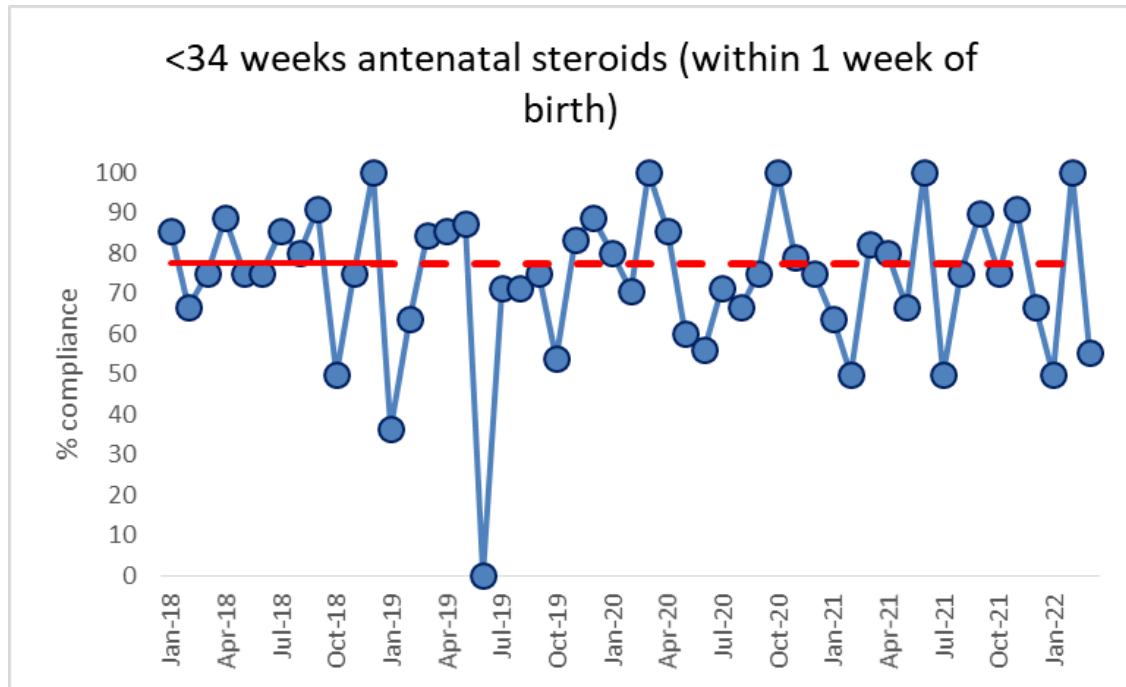
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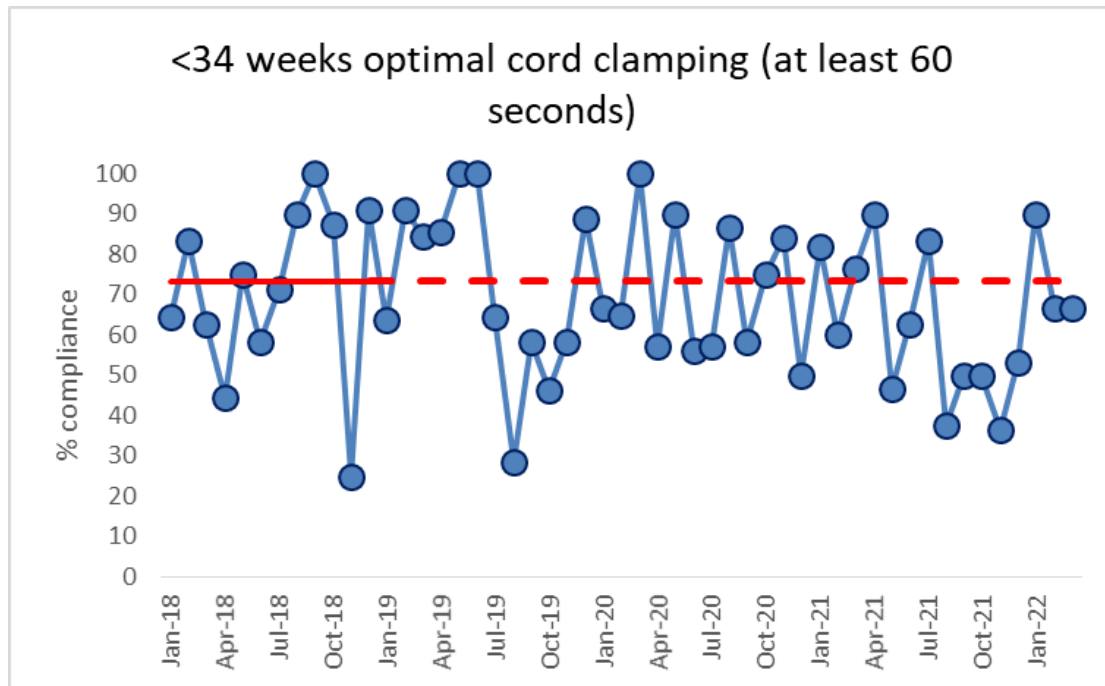
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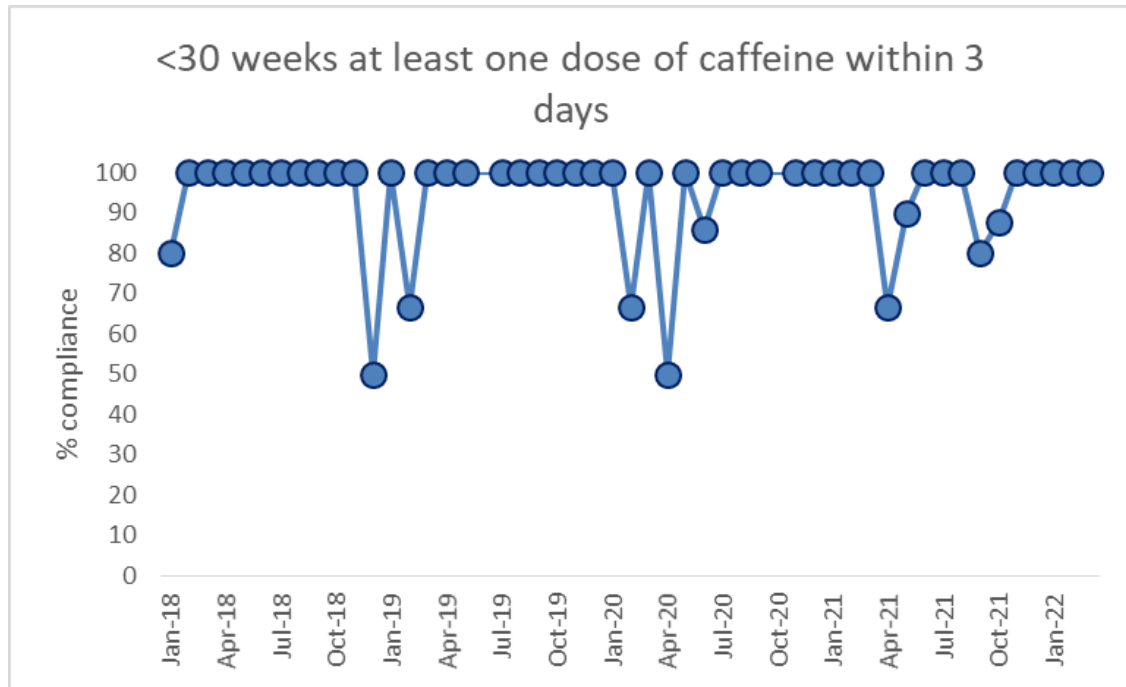
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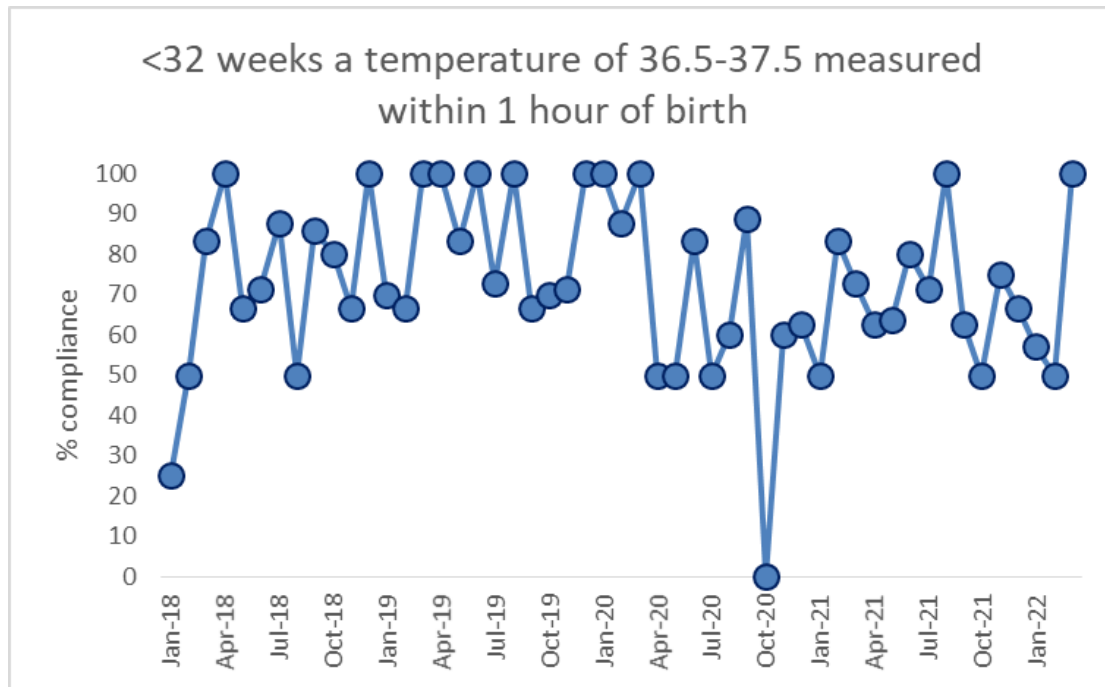
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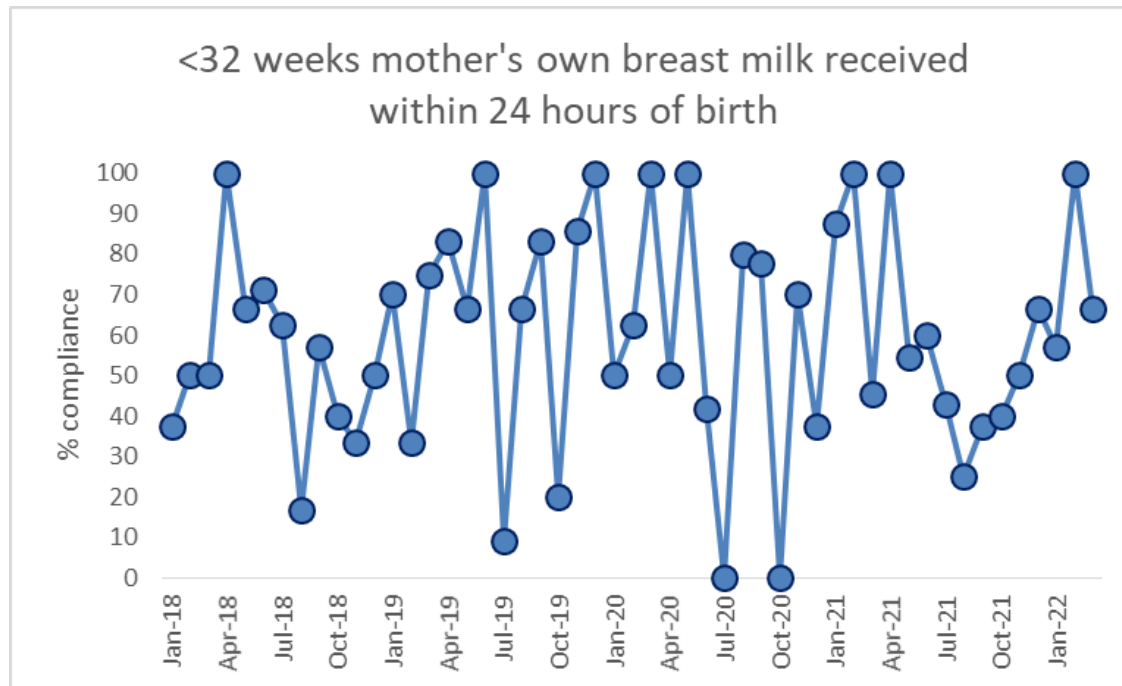
Results - Caffeine



Results - Temp



Results – MEBM



Next steps

- Close working with obstetrics re steroids
- Reinvigorate GetSET
 - Focus on OCM & Temperature
- Continued Express Yourself work
 - Better system for data collection
- Neurological Injury group

Presenter introduction



Dr Kathleen Brown

Consultant

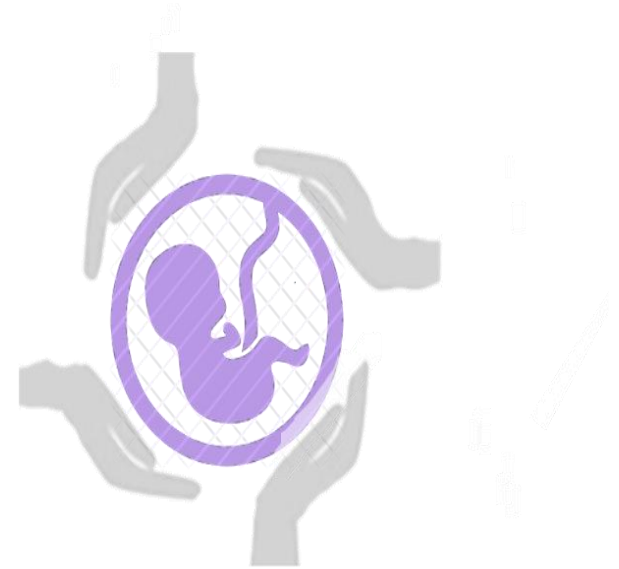
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Establishing a Perinatal Team



- Recognised benefit of establishing joint working
- Recruiting of enthusiastic team members from neonatal, midwifery, obstetric and theatre staff
- Establishing goals
- Spreading the word
- Maintaining momentum



Tayside Perinatal Team

Successes



- Dr Lauren Shaw has joined our team (bonus in itself!) – comes with strong QI background and enthusiasm and collaboration with Dr Mary Smith in obstetrics
- Regular team meetings via Teams to establish goals and how we can achieve them best together
- Practical joint teaching sessions with role play (and very amenable colleagues) and engaging with midwifery education days



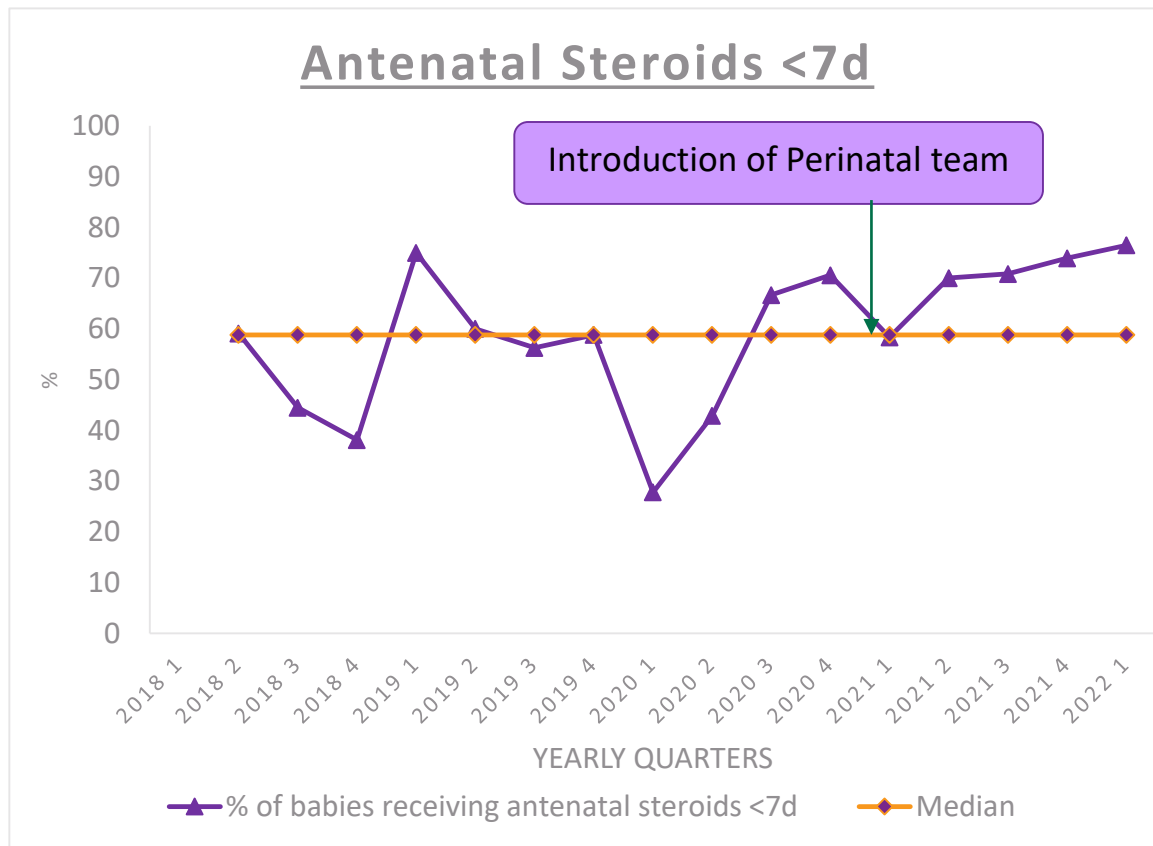
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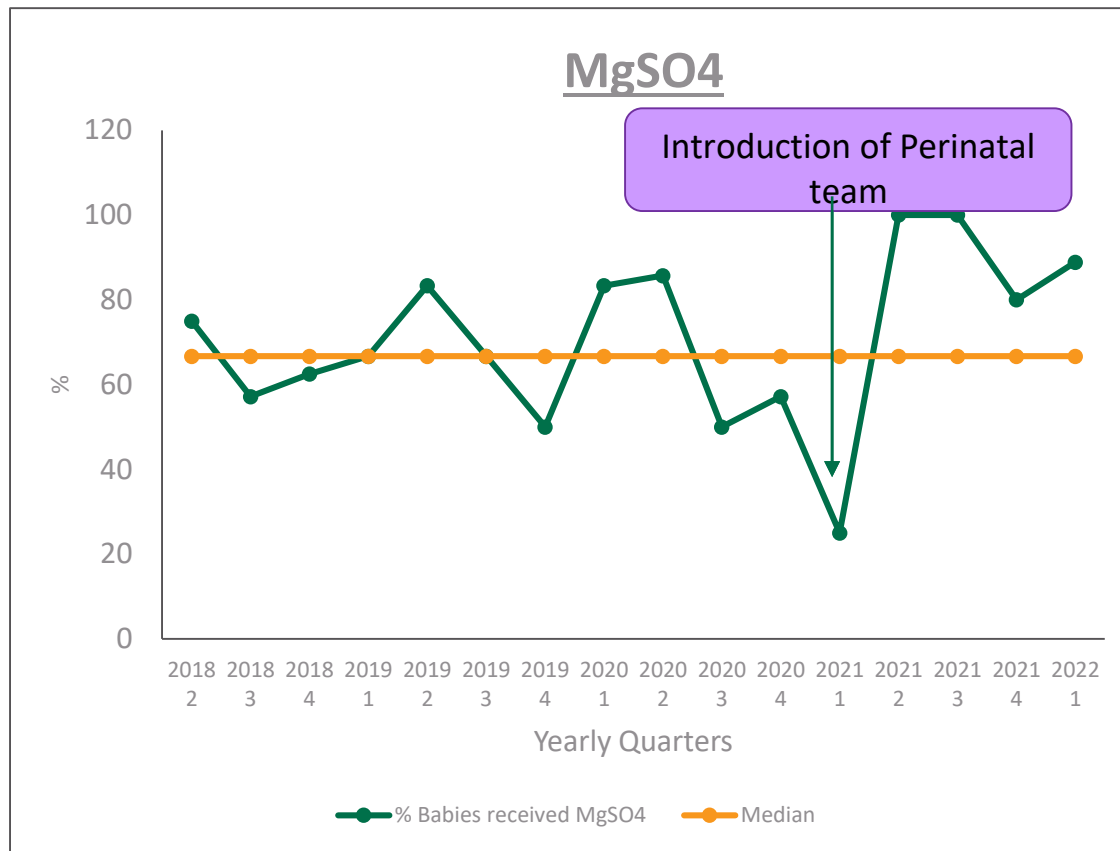
- Growing feeling of “team effort” across specialities (joining theatre pause)
- Noticeable improvement in areas where obstetric input more important (steroids, MgSO₄)
- Improved “buy in” from midwifery and obstetric team with achieving optimal cord clamping



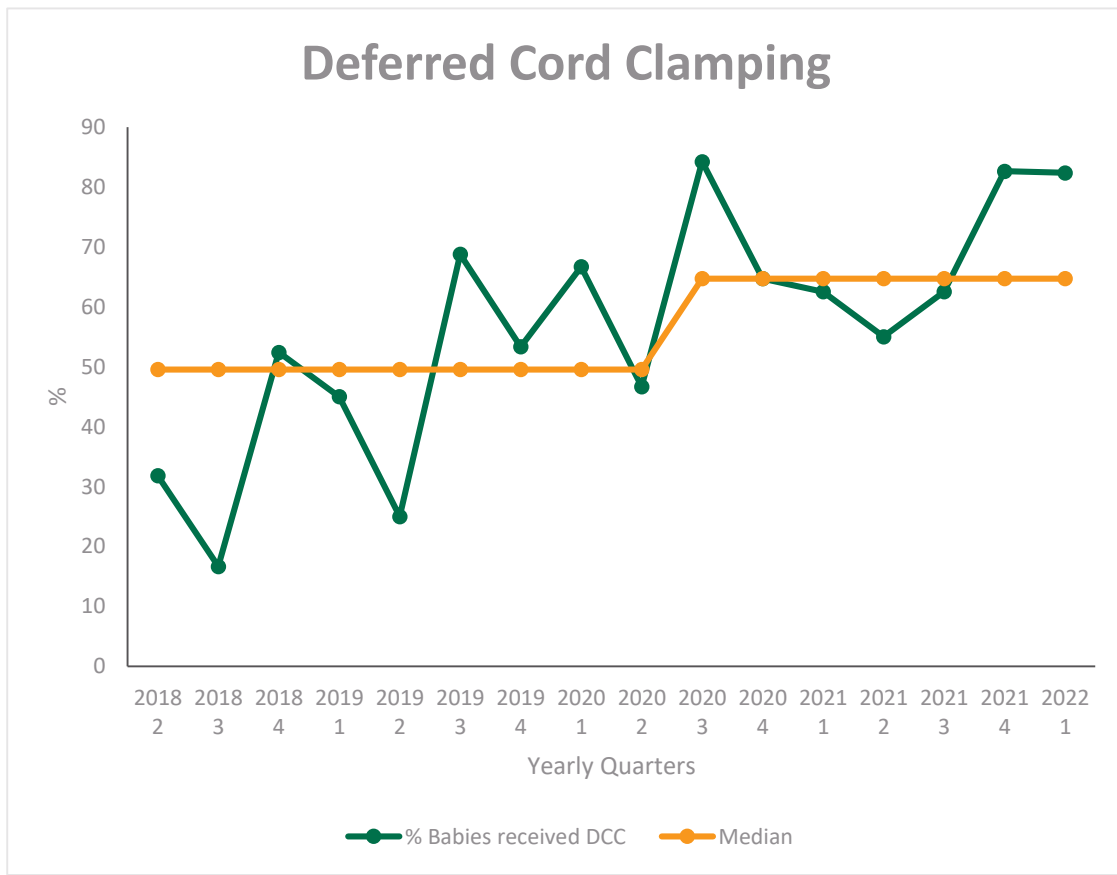
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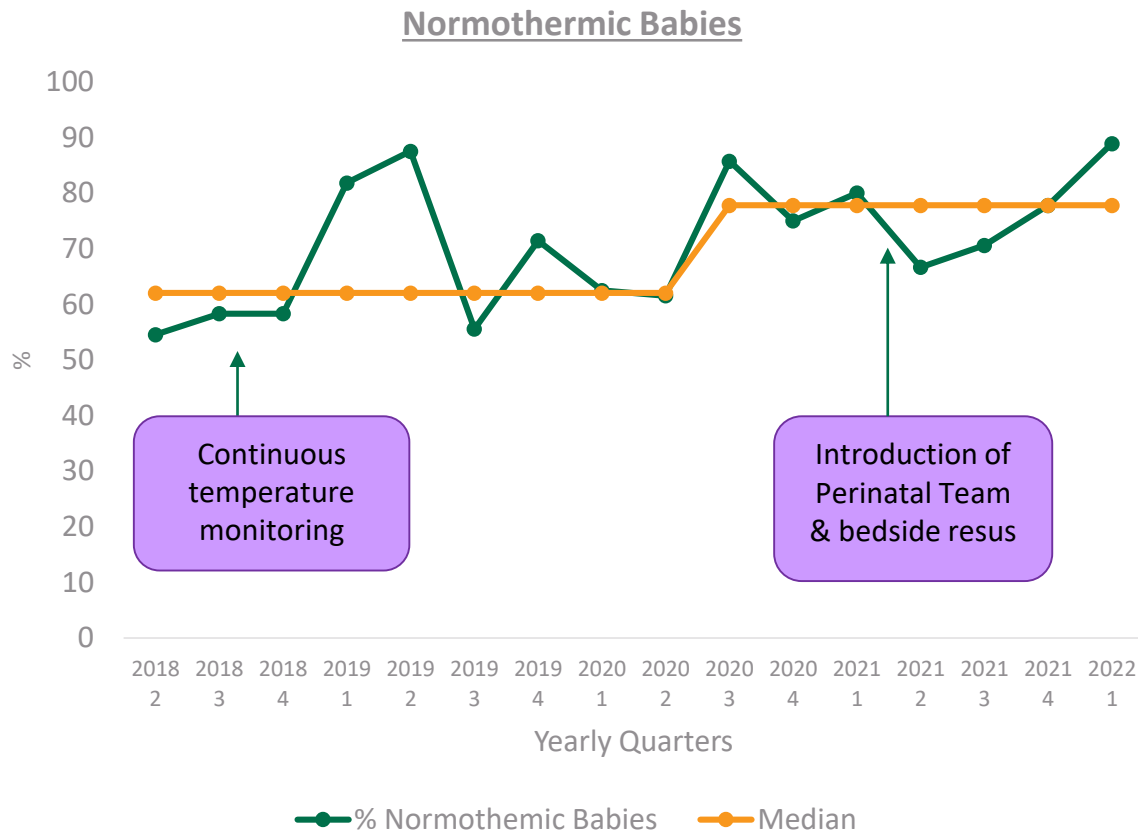
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- Establishing importance for new staff
- Initial breast milk availability/
documentation



Next steps



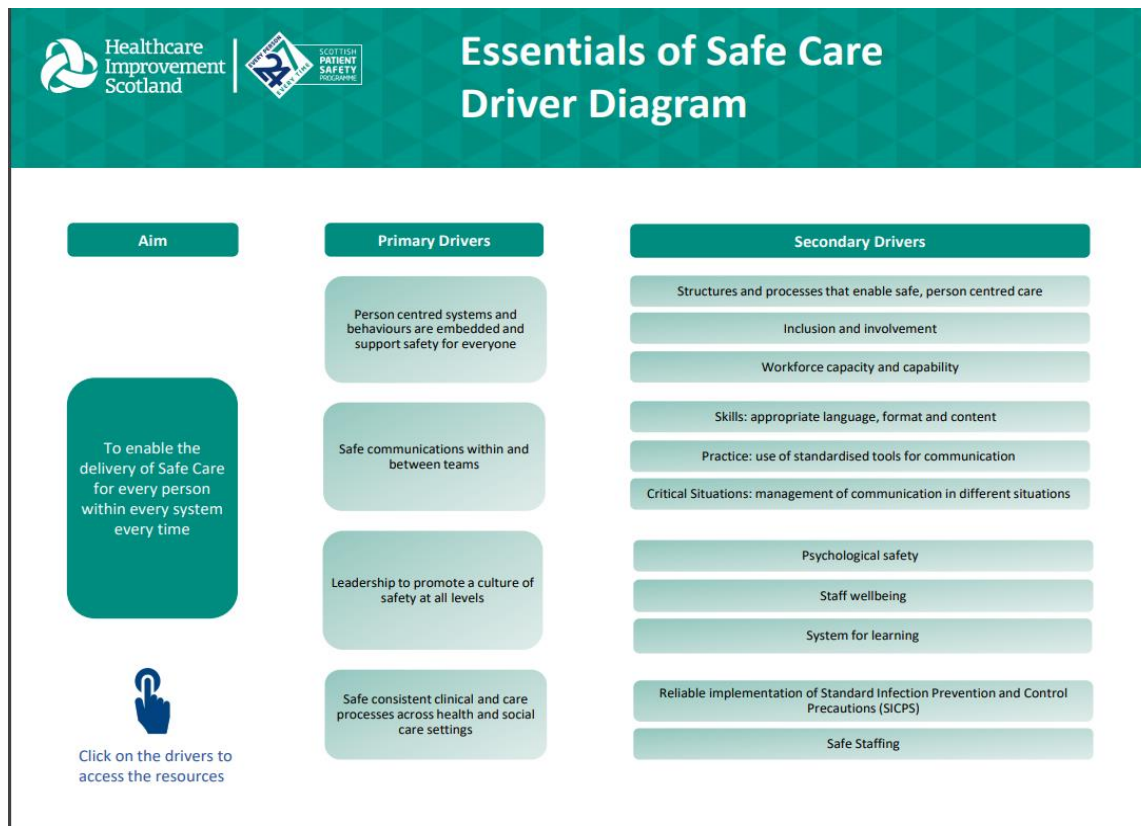
- Continuing momentum in enthusiasm for in room stabilisation through teaching and simulation (now embedded in weekly teaching)
- Continuing and growing joint working with maternity and midwifery staff
- Working further with infant feeding team to improve overall compliance with EBM <24 hours



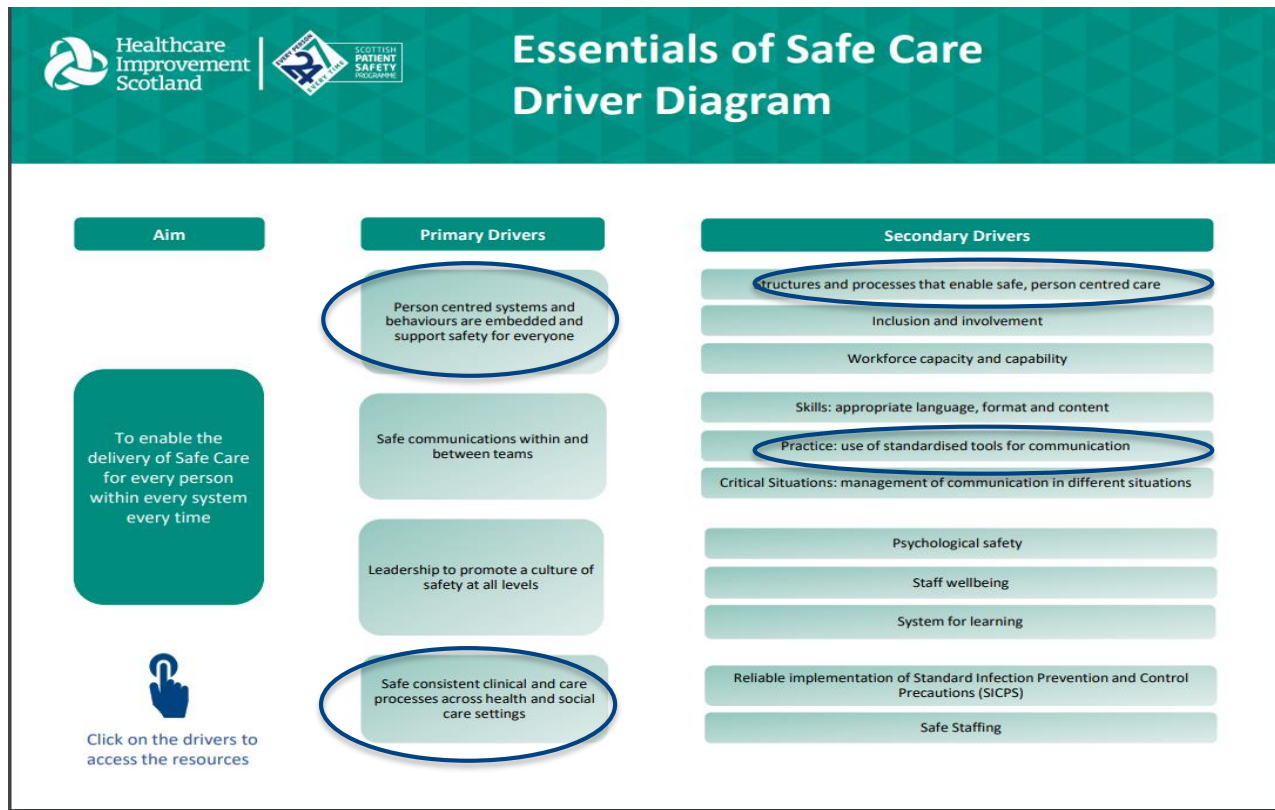
MCQIC Neonatal Care Next Steps



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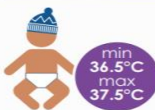


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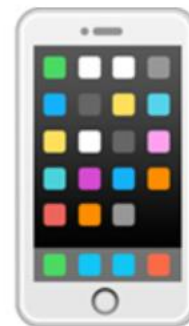
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MCQIC Preterm Bundle

The Preterm Bundle

Standardising
Care &
Optimising
Outcomes for
babies
<34 weeks

NAME _____
DOB ____/____/____
GESTATION ____+____
TIME OF BIRTH: ____:____ WEIGHT _____

MATERNAL CHI _____
INDICATION FOR DELIVERY _____
MODE OF DELIVERY _____
RF FOR SEPSIS _____
SVD [] EMCS [] ELCS [] INSTRUMENTAL []
YES [] NO []

ANTENATAL

PLACE OF BIRTH: AIM: ALL BABIES <27 WEEKS SHOULD DELIVER IN A SPECIALIST TERTIARY LEVEL NICU
ACHIEVED YES [] NO []

STEROIDS: AIM: ALL WOMEN DELIVERING <34 WKS SHOULD RECEIVE A FULL COURSE OF ANTENATAL STEROIDS
WITHIN 1 WEEK OF DELIVERY YES [] NO []

MAGNESIUM: AIM: ALL WOMEN DELIVERING <30 WKS SHOULD RECEIVE MAGNESIUM SULPHATE WITHIN 24HRS OF DELIVERY
ACHIEVED YES [] NO []

ANTIBIOTICS: AIM: ALL WOMEN IN ESTABLISHED PRETERM LABOUR SHOULD RECEIVE PROPHYLACTIC ANTIBIOTICS
ACHIEVED YES [] NO []

COUNSELLING: NEONATAL TEAM COUNSELLED YES [] NO [] MATERNAL EBM DISCUSSION YES [] NO []



PREPARATION & PAUSE

ALLOCATE ROLES AIRWAY, CIRCULATION, MONITORING, THERMOREGULATION

PREPARE EQUIPMENT AIRWAY, SURFACTANT, MONITORING

JOINT MDT PAUSE: DEFERRED CORD CLAMPING ALL BABIES TO RECEIVE MINIMUM 60 SECONDS YES [] NO []
CONTRAINDICATIONS TO DCC YES [] NO []
PLASTIC BAG REQUIRED YES [] NO []
CORD BLOODS REQUIRED YES [] NO []
DELIVERY ROOM CUDDLE PLANNED? YES [] NO []



The Preterm Bundle

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babies
<34 weeks

STABILISATION

RESPIRATORY

- CPAP AIM: COMMENCE EFFECTIVE CPAP 6-8cm H₂O WITHIN 5 MINS OF BIRTH YES [] NO []
- IPV IF APNOEIC/BRADYCARDIC, GENTLE LUNG INFLATIONS 20-25cm H₂O +/- INTUBATION IF PERSISTENT
- OXYGEN <28 WEEKS FIO₂ 30% >28 WEEKS 21-30% FIO₂ AIM SATS >80% WITHIN 5 MINS
- SURFACTANT IF REQUIRING INTUBATION FOR STABILISATION - 200MG/KG

THERMOREGULATION:

AIM: ENSURE STRICT THERMOREGULATORY MEASURES TO ACHIEVE NORMOTHERMIA 36.5 – 37.5°C WITHIN 1 HOUR OF BIRTH

TEMP IN LW _____°C NICU ADMISSION TEMP _____°C



POSTNATAL CARE

- RESPIRATORY** EARLY RESUCE SURFACTANT IF INCREASING FIO₂, IDEALLY VIA LISA
IF VENTILATED – USE VOLUME TARGETED VENTILATION, ALLOW FOR PERMISSIVE HYPERCARBIA,
MINIMISE TIME OF MECHANICAL VENTILATION
- CAFFEINE** AIM ALL BABIES <30 WEEKS YES [] NO []
- EBM** AIM: ALL BABIES <32 WEEKS TO RECEIVE MATERNAL EBM WITHIN 24 HOURS OF BIRTH YES [] NO []
- PARENTS UPDATED** YES [] NO [] DATE ____/____/____ TIME ____:____ BY WHO _____



PPWP Feedback Tools

Preterm Bundle Monthly Summary

February 2022

Total number of
babies born
<34 weeks

10

Gestation	No. of Babies
< 27 weeks	2
27 – 29+6	2
30 – 33+6	6



<34 wks
7 days



<30 wks
24 hrs



weight
minimum
60s



mean
36.8°C
max
37.5°C



<30 wks
within
3 days



<32 wks
24 hrs

90%

100%

80%

75%

100%

75%

Proportion of babies
achieving full perinatal
optimisation

80%

Proportion of all
optimisation
interventions given

92%

Our
Compliance
with the
PPWP

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<34 wks
7 days



<30 wks
24 hrs



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minimum
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mean
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max
37.5°C



<30 wks
within
3 days



<32 wks
24 hrs

Jan
22

Feb
22

Mar
22

Key Resources



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