



# Promoting Primary Vaginal Deliveries Initiative

## Pre-Cesarean Checklists

PROVIDE 2.0 Webinar  
February 26, 2020

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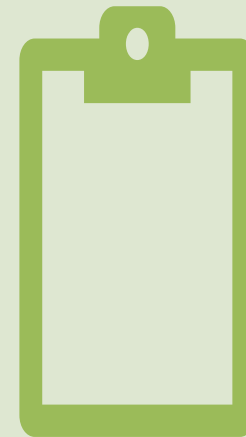


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OUR POST-WEBINAR SURVEY.

# Webinar Agenda

- 👶 Announcements
- 👶 Lessons Learned from New Jersey
- 👶 Advice from Tampa General Hospital
- 👶 Implementation Strategies from Winnie Palmer Hospital

news &  
announcements

# Project Announcements

- 👶 Schedule PROVIDE 2.0 Grand Rounds and site visit soon!
  - 👶 E-mail [fpqc@usf.edu](mailto:fpqc@usf.edu)
- 👶 Labor Support Workshops: Currently scheduled dates are all full

# Coaching Calls

- 👶 To begin in April
- 👶 Will be divided by your chosen Focus Area (Induction, Labor dystocia, FHR concerns)
- 👶 1 hour long
- 👶 Regular monthly time for teams working on this same topic to come together and discuss, share, commiserate, learn, check-in, and receive FPQC assistance on their PROVIDE efforts
- 👶 Any champion from your team can attend

# Online Discussion Forums

Join our Maternal Health Discussion Group!

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Direct link:  
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# *Save the Date: April 16-17, Tampa*

## **FPQC 2020 Conference**

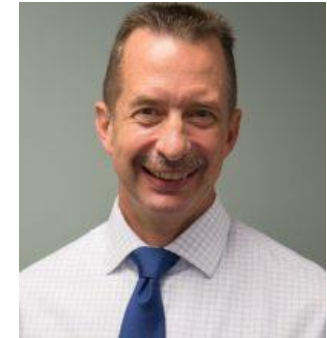
### **Reducing Cesarean Deliveries – Elliott Main, MD**

Clinical Professor, Obstetrics & Gynecology-Maternal Fetal Medicine, Stanford University; Medical Director, California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative



### **Partnering with Patients and Families – Martin J. McCaffrey, MD**

Professor, University of North Carolina; Director, Perinatal Quality Collaborative of North Carolina



### **Shared Decision-Making in Perinatal Care – Neel Shah, MD, MPP, FACOG**

Assistant Professor, Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Biology, Harvard Medical School; Director, Delivery Decisions Initiative



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# FPQC Conference, Friday, April 17

## Maternal OUD/NAS Focus

- 🌀 **Partnering to Help Women with Opiate Use Disorder Reach Their Goals- Michael Marcotte, MD,**

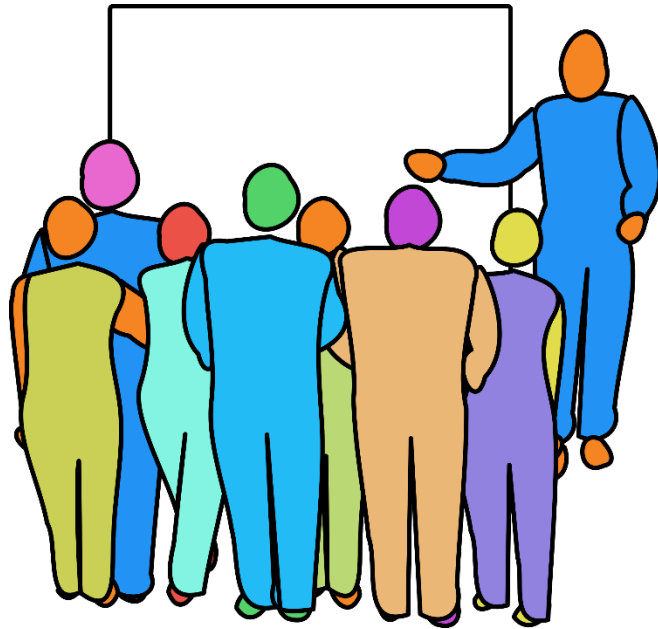
*Dir. Quality and Safety-TriHealth,  
OB Expert-OPQC, National Expert-MOD*



- 🌀 **AM Breakout Sessions:** Early Steps & NAS, Practical Approaches to Supporting Women with OUD from a Mom-Patient Perspective
- 🌀 **PM Breakout Sessions:** Community Mapping for Opioid Issues, Tools for Clinical Staff to Engage and Support Women with OUD

# And...

- 👶 A special poster session highlighting successful community collaborations **especially on Friday!**





# Importance of Checklists: Lessons Learned from New Jersey

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**Pre-Cesarean Checklist for Labor Dystocia, Failed induction and Fetal Heart Rate Abnormalities**

Patient Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MR#: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gestational Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of C-section: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Obstetrician: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bedside Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Team Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Indication for Primary Cesarean Delivery:

\_\_\_ **Failed Induction** (must have both criteria if cervix unfavorable, Bishop score < 8 for nullips and <6 for multips)

\_\_\_ Cervical Ripening used (when starting with unfavorable Bishop scores as noted above). Ripening agent used: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Reason ripening not used if cervix unfavorable: \_\_\_\_\_

AND

\_\_\_ Unable to generate regular contractions (every 3 minutes) and cervical change after oxytocin administered for at least 12-18 hours after membrane rupture.” \*Note: at least 24 hours of oxytocin administration after membrane rupture is if preferable if maternal and fetal statuses permit

\_\_\_ **Latent Phase Arrest** <6 cm dilation (must fulfill one of two criteria)  
 Moderate or strong contractions palpated for > 12 hours without cervical change

\_\_\_ IUPC > 200 MVU for > 12 hours

\*As long as cervical progress is being made, a slow but progressive latent phase e.g. greater without cervical change than 20 hours in nulliparous women and greater than 14 hours in multiparous women is not an indication for cesarean delivery as long as fetal and maternal statuses remain reassuring. Please exercise caution when diagnosing latent phase arrest and allow for sufficient time to enter the active phase.

**Fetal Heart Rate Abnormalities - Please check if techniques apply:**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Antepartum testing results which precluded trial of labor | <input type="checkbox"/> Amnioinfusion for repetitive variable fetal heart rate deceleration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Category III FHR tracing                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Intrauterine resuscitation efforts such as: Maternal position       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Category II FHR tracing                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> maternal fluid bolus, administration off O2, scalp stimulation      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prolonged deceleration not responding to measures         | <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease or discontinue oxytocin or uterine stimulants              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Correct uterine tachysystole  |

\_\_\_ **Active Phase Arrest** > 6cm dilation (must fulfill one of the two criteria)

Membranes ruptured (if possible), then:

\_\_\_ Adequate uterine contractions (e.g. moderate or strong to palpation, or > 200 MVU, for ≥ 4 hours) without improvement in dilation, effacement, station or position

OR

\_\_\_ Inadequate uterine contractions (e.g. < 200 MVU) for ≥ 6 hours of oxytocin administration without improvement in dilation, effacement, station or position

\_\_\_ **Second Stage Arrest** (must fulfill any one of four criteria)

\_\_\_ Nullipara with epidural pushing for at least 4 hours

OR

\_\_\_ Nullipara without epidural pushing for at least 3 hours

OR

\_\_\_ Multipara with epidural pushing for at least 3 hours

OR

\_\_\_ Multipara without epidural pushing for at least 2 hours

\_\_\_ **Although** not fulfilling contemporary criteria for the labor dystocia as described above, my clinical judgment deems this cesarean delivery indicated

**Team Huddle – Comments Recommendations**

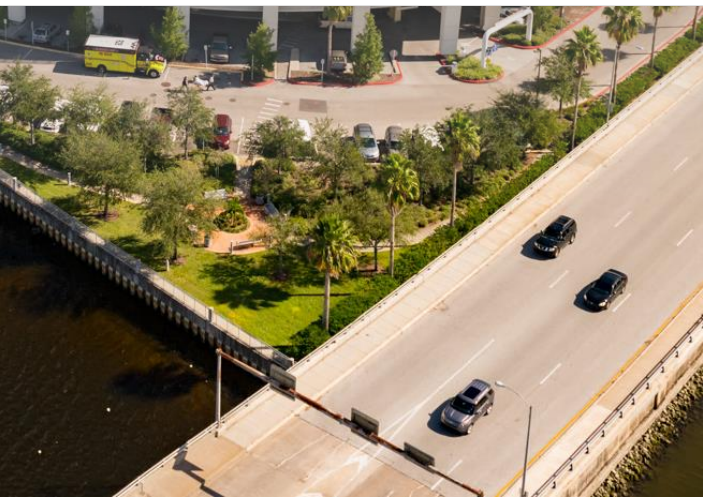


# PROVIDE 2.0

## Promoting Primary Vaginal Deliveries

Safe Reduction of Primary  
Cesarean Delivery

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# Pre-Cesarean Huddle Form: A Communication Tool

## Pre-Cesarean Huddle Form



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✦ **Date and time of huddle:** \_\_\_\_\_ Current room \_\_\_\_\_  
 ✦ **G's and P's and Gestational age:** \_\_\_\_\_  
 ✦ **ROM time:** \_\_\_\_\_ Last Cervical Exam \_\_\_\_\_  
 ✦ **Attendees- list names**  
 Attending physician\*<sup>required</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 Safety Nurse &/or Charge Nurse\*<sup>required</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bedside provider (CNM/Resident)\*<sup>required</sup> \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary RN (if available) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Anesthesia (if available) \_\_\_\_\_

✦ **Reason for huddle- (circle all that apply)**

C/S being considered NRHT Arrest of Dilatation/Labor Dystocia Maternal Condition Failed IOL  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

✦ **FHT agreed upon interpretation of the time of huddle-** Baseline \_\_\_\_\_ Variability \_\_\_\_\_  
 Decels present (circle all that apply) - Early Variable Late Prolonged

Acceler present- Yes / No \_\_\_\_\_ Category of tracing- 1 2 3

✦ **Interventions done thus far (circle all that apply)** - \*Reposition \*IV bolus for hypotension \*O2 \*Terbutaline

\*Decrease Pitocin \*Stop Pitocin \*Amnioinfusion for variable decels \*Remove Cervidil

\*Remove balloon/Cook \*Vaginal exam/VAS to elicit fetal response for minimal variability

✦ **Birth Outcome:** \_\_\_\_\_

See back of page for Labor Dystocia, Failed IOL and Management of FHR Algorithms.

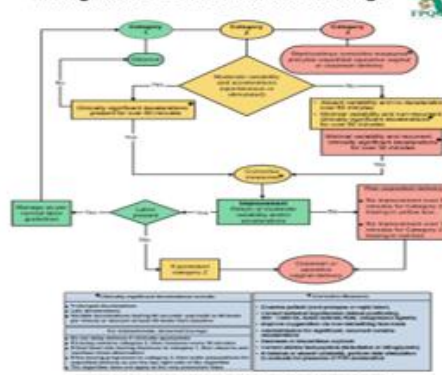
✦ **Labor Dystocia criteria-**

- **Less than 6cm** - not in labor, does not meet these criteria (cannot call c/s due to Arrest if less than 6 cm, active labor has not been achieved, consider giving more time)
- **6 cm - 9.5 cm dilated** - was there at least 4 hours with adequate uterine activity or at least 6 hours with inadequate uterine activity and with oxytocin? If no, does not meet criteria for arrest- consider giving more time.
- **If 10cm** - Primigravida- was there at least 3 hours or more in second stage- 4 hours with an epidural? If not, does not meet criteria for arrest, consider giving more time. Multiparous- was there at least 2 hours or more in the second stage (without an epidural)?

✦ **Failed IOL Criteria-**

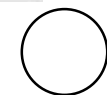
- **If 8cm dilated**, were there at least 12 hours of oxytocin after rupture of membranes?
- **If 6-10cm dilated**, was there at least 4h with adequate uterine activity or at least 6h with inadequate uterine activity and with oxytocin?
- **If completely dilated**, was there 3h or more of active pushing (4h with epidural)?

**Management of Fetal Heart Rate Tracings**



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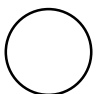
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# Implementing a Pre-C/S huddle

- Less about the ‘form’; more focus on the conversation
- Get 1 person of influence on board with the idea- this is your champion!
- Make small adjustments based on feedback
- Nurse leaders- hold your own huddles!

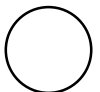




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# Make your huddle possible!

❖ **Attendees- list names**

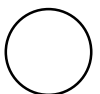
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Safety Nurse &/or Charge Nurse\* 1 required \_\_\_\_\_

Bedside provider (CNM/Resident) \*1 required \_\_\_\_\_

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# Creating a culture

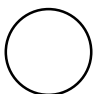
Appealing to:

Integrity- it's the right thing to do for our patients

Compassion- the way to show you care is by providing evidence based care

Safety- it's the best thing for this and future pregnancies

It takes time and persistence!



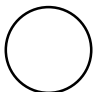
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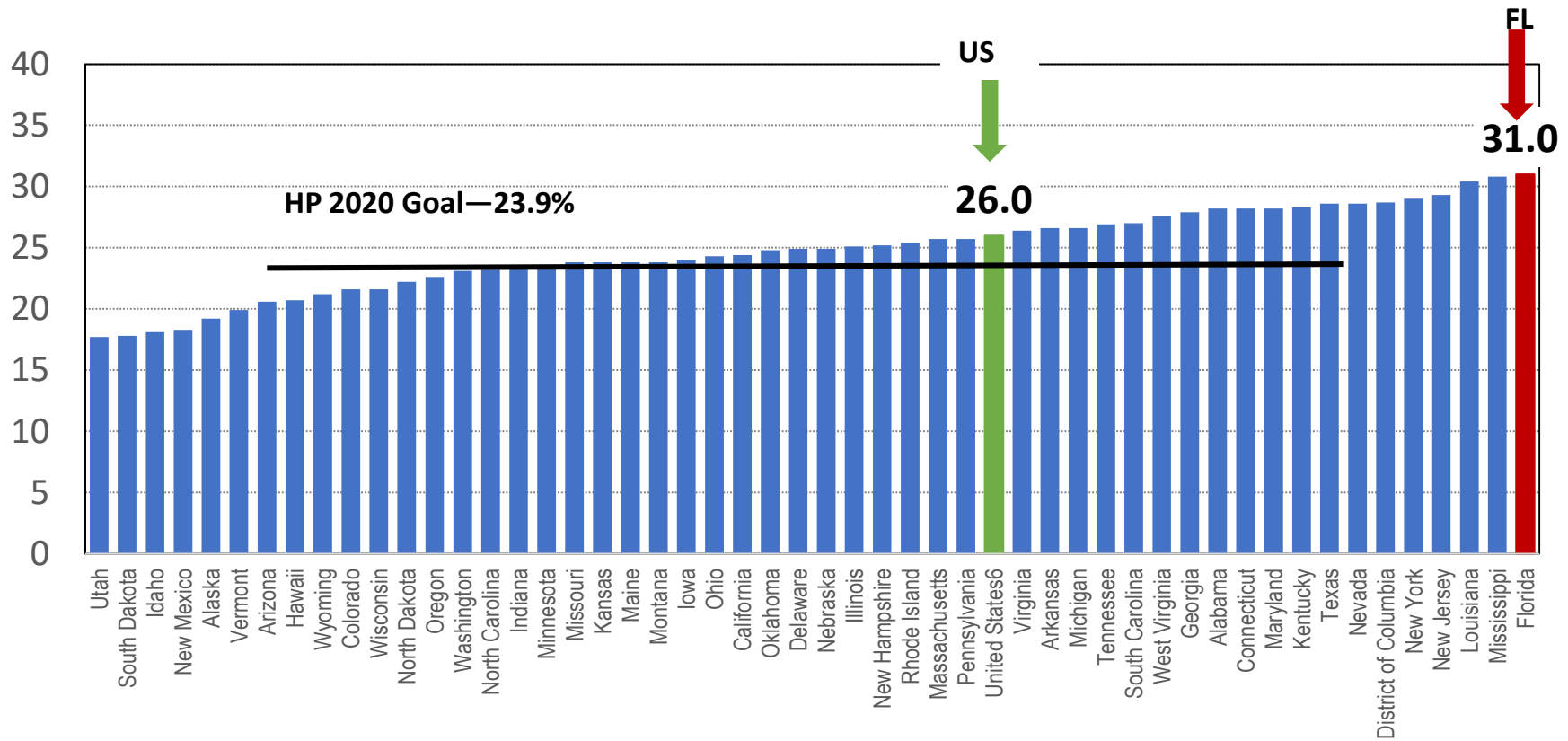


A classic example of  
path dependency

If a woman has a vaginal birth in the first labor, over 90% of ALL subsequent births will be vaginal births



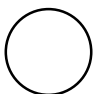
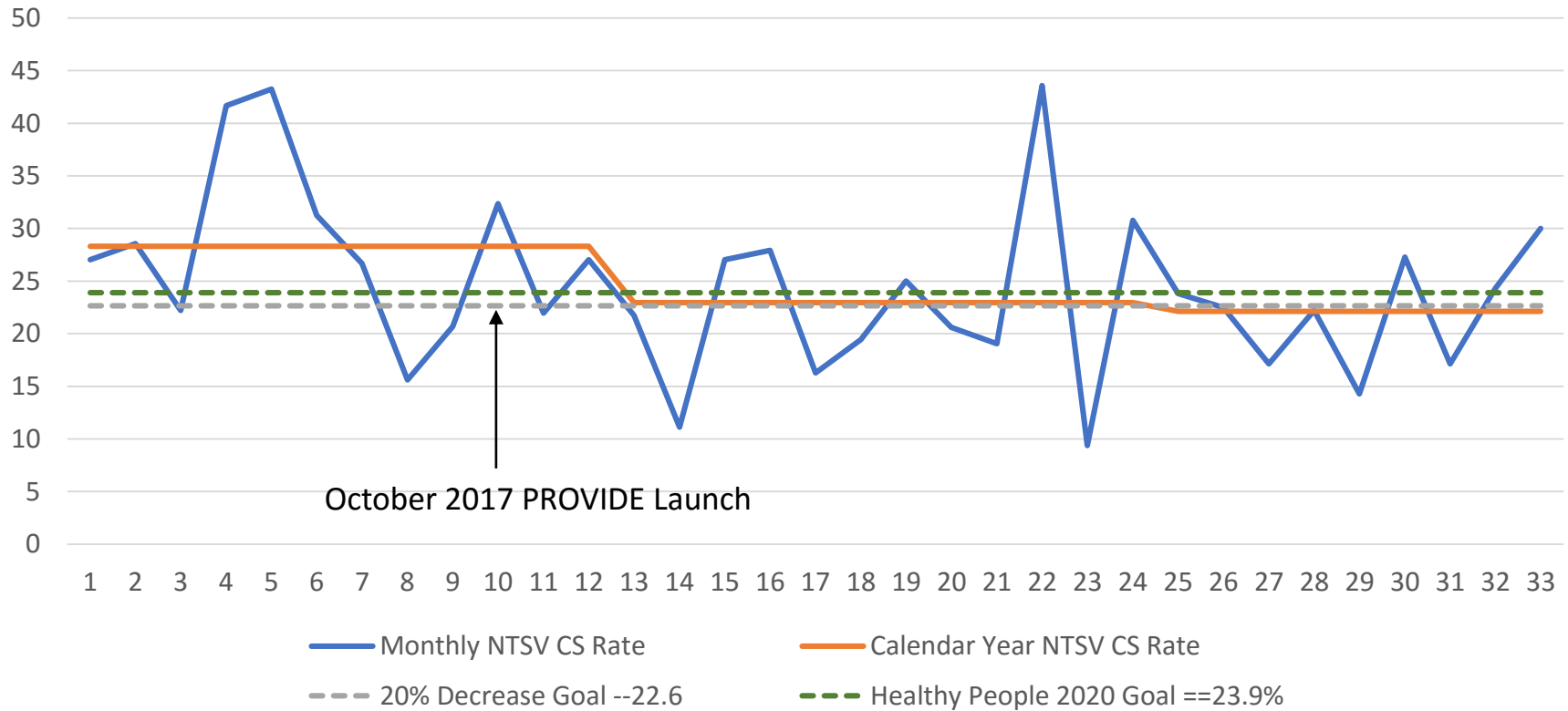
# Share Data! NTSV Cesarean Rates U.S. States, 2017



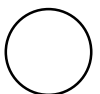
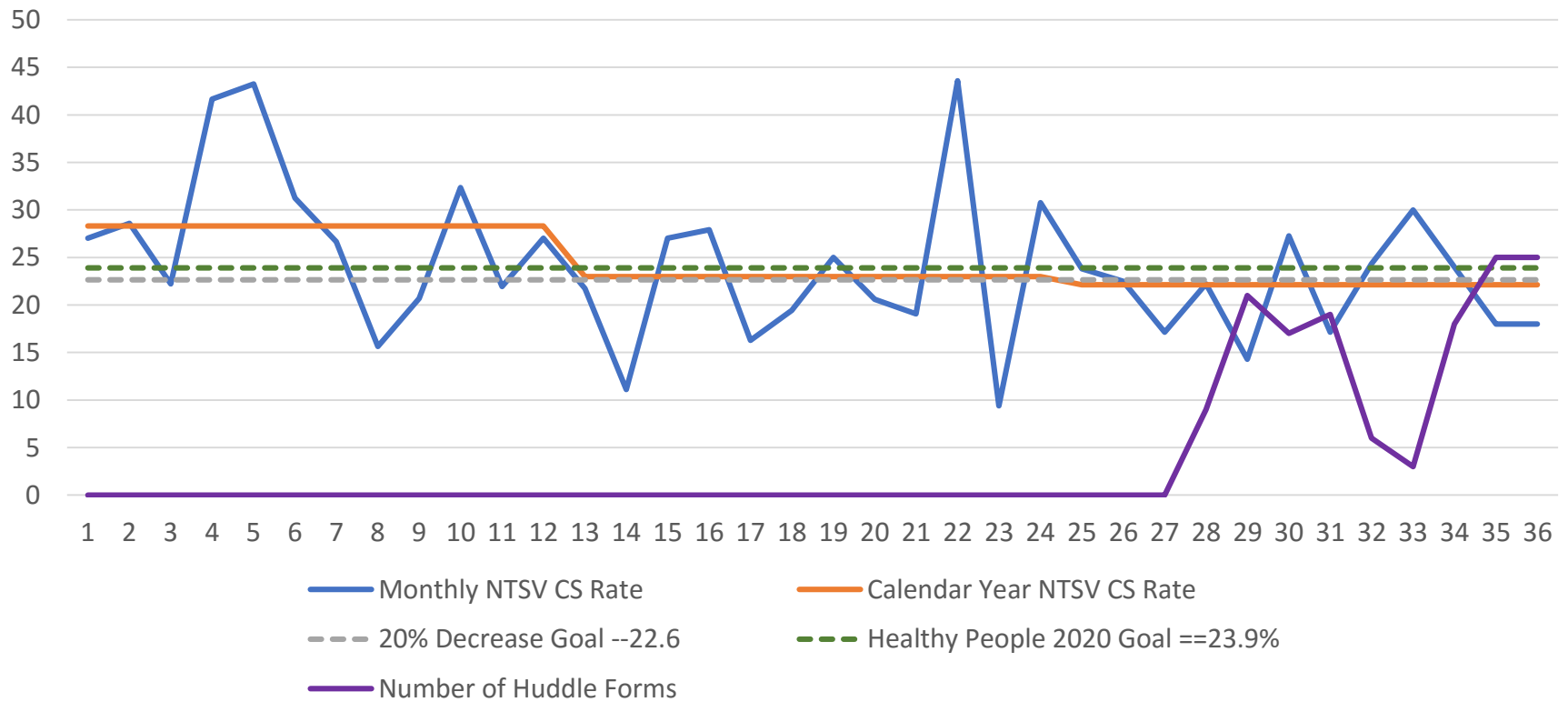
Source: NCHS (2017) Final Birth Data 2017



# Monthly NTSV CS Rate January 2017 – September 2019



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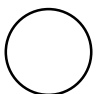
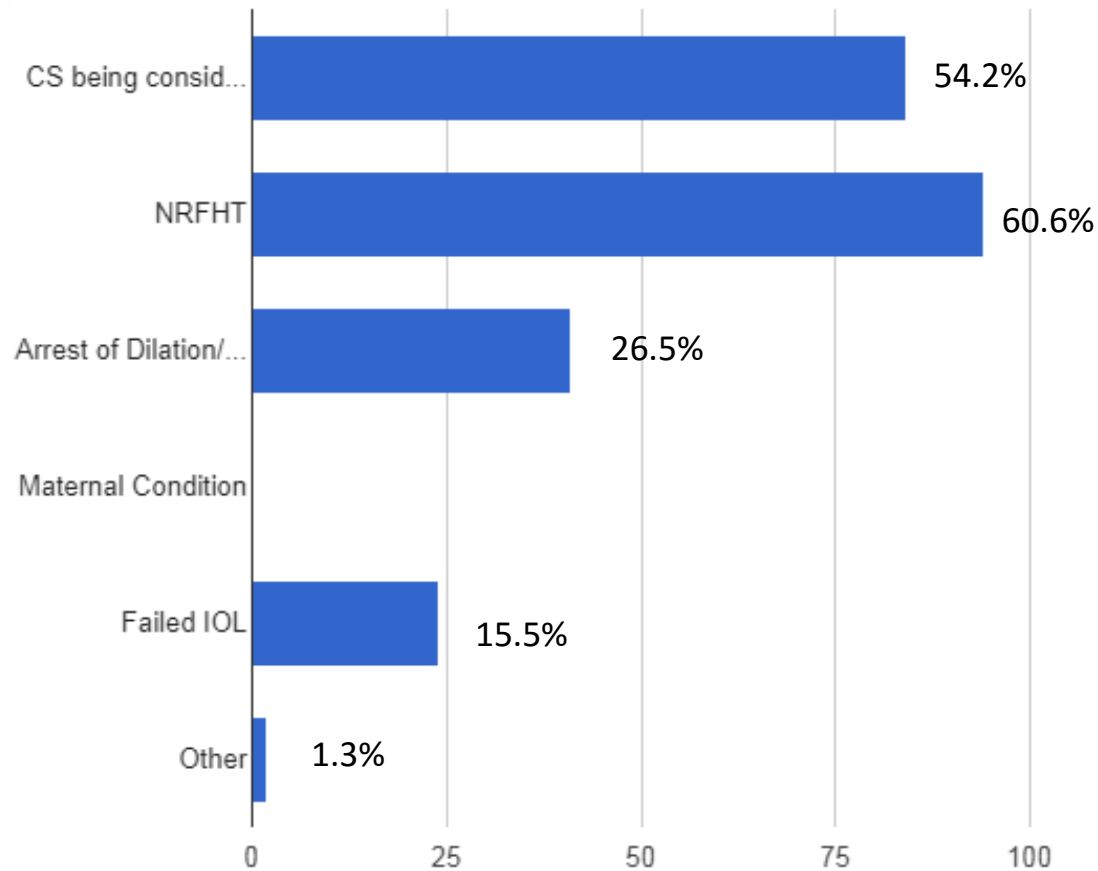
# Evaluating Our Huddle Data

- Created a data base including data from Pre-CS Huddle Forms
- Total forms completed (April 2019-Jan 2020): 160



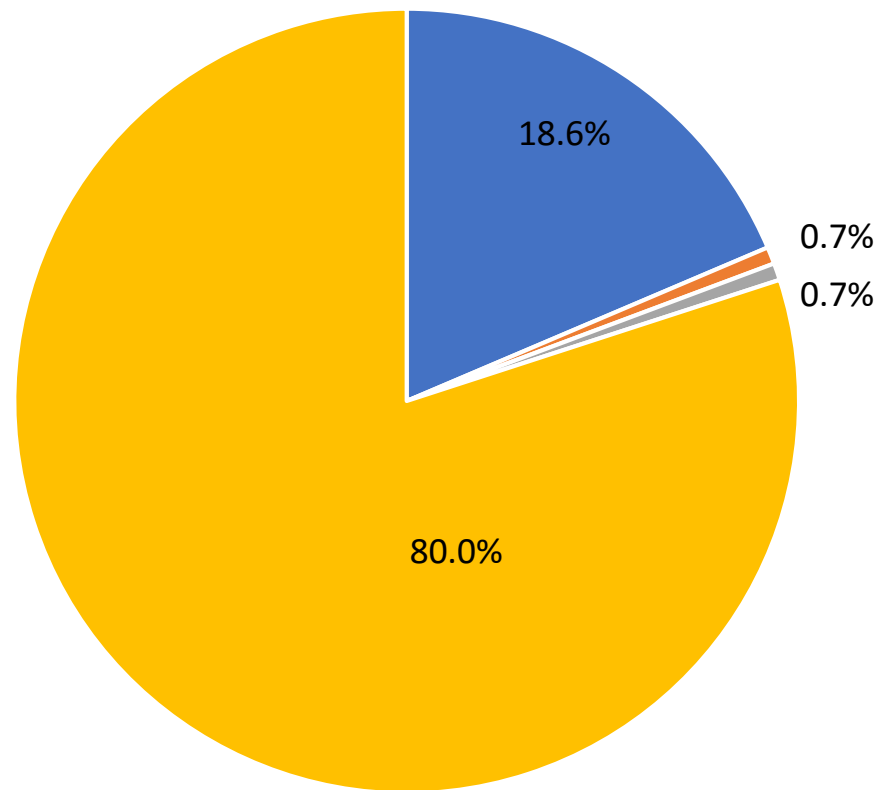


# Most Huddles Were Performed for Consideration of Cesarean or Fetal Heart Tracing Concerns



# Though Most Huddles Resulted in Cesarean Section, 20% Resulted in a Vaginal Delivery

Delivery Outcome Of Huddle Patients

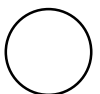


■ Vaginal Delivery

■ Vacuum-Assisted Vaginal Delivery

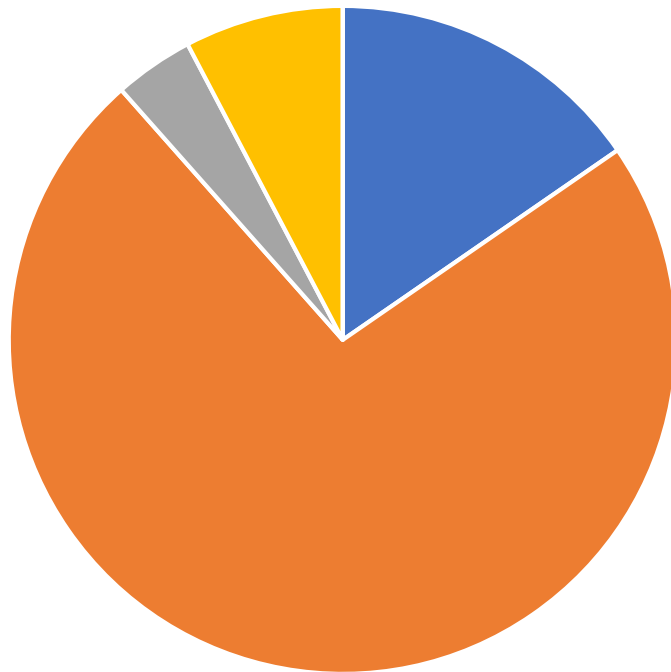
■ Forceps-Assisted Vaginal Delivery

■ Cesarean Delivery



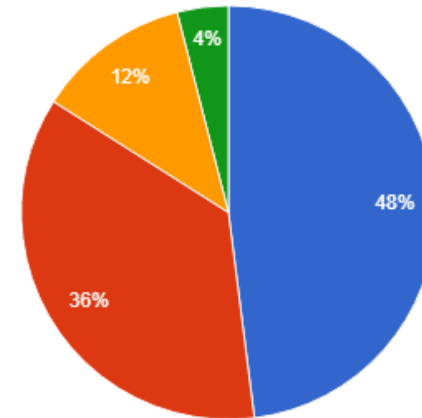
# Most Providers Believed That the Huddle Form Improved Communication

## The PreCS Huddle Form Has Improved Communication



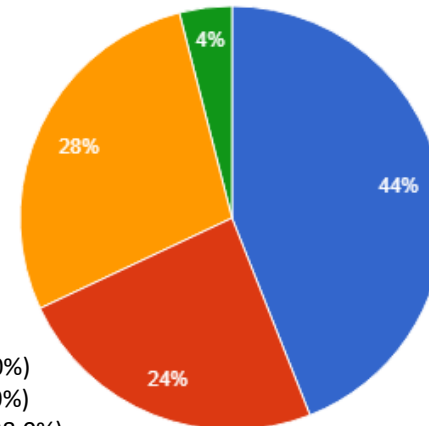
■ Strongly Agree   ■ Agree   ■ Neutral  
■ Disagree   ■ Strongly Disagree   ■

## Facilitating clear communication



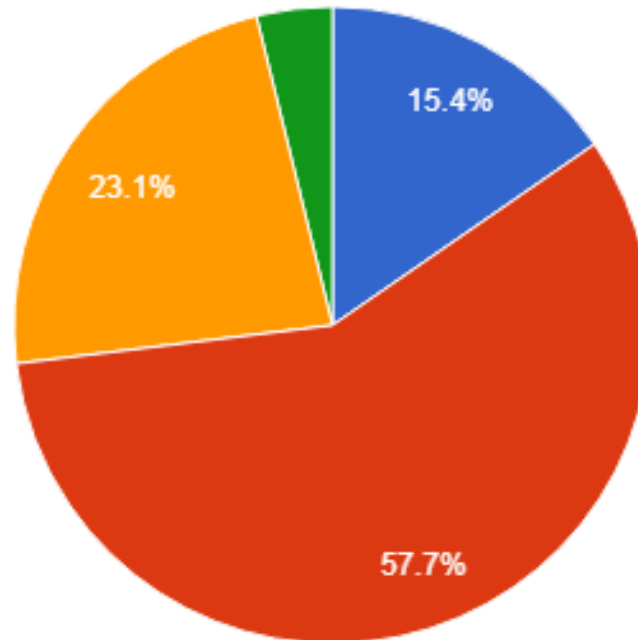
Extremely well (12, 48.0%)  
Somewhat well (9, 36.0%)  
Slightly / minimally (3, 12.0%),  
Not at all (1, 4.0%)

## Communicating the plan of care to the patient

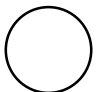


Extremely well (11, 44.0%)  
Somewhat well (6, 24.0%)  
Slightly / minimally (7, 28.0%)  
Not at all (1, 4.0%)

# Most Providers Believed That The Huddle Forms Improved Patient Safety



**Counts/frequency:** Strongly agree (4, 15.4%), Agree (15, 57.7%), Neutral (6, 23.1%), Disagree (1, 3.8%), Strongly Disagree (0, 0.0%)



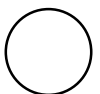
# Challenges and Barriers to the Huddle Form

## Challenges

- The form is too long (16.7%)
- I can't voice my options openly (16.7)
- No one listens (33.3%)
- I feel attacked (16.7)
- Other (41.7%)

## Barriers

- I forget (48%)
- Not enough time (36%)
- I don't like it (8.0%)
- I can't find the form (4%)
- It is challenging to get everyone together (64%)



# How Can We Improve Our Huddle? Get feedback!

1

Gather Feedback from Providers and Nursing

- Provider Feedback Survey
- Nursing feedback Survey

2

Continue to Do Huddles

3

Continue Modifications

- Feedback-based
- Highlight Our New Focus



# Implement Intermittent Monitoring for Low-risk Patients

## Give viable options to help your cause!

### Continuous monitoring:

- Increases the likelihood of cesarean
- Has not been shown to improve neonatal outcomes (e.g. reduce rates of CP)
- Restricts movement (and normal physiologic processes and coping)
- Potentially reduces nursing interaction/ labor support



# IA Evidence

Cochrane Review (13 RCTs, n>37,000)

Increased risk of C-S, V/FAVD

No difference in perinatal mortality,  
CP or Apgars <7 @ 5 mins.

Neonatal seizures rare, but slightly  
more in IA group.

“Given that available data do not clearly support EFM over IA, either option is acceptable in a patient without complications.” ACOG, 2009

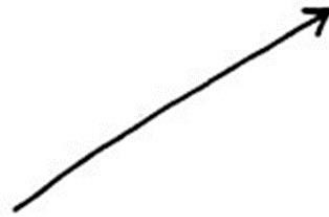
“IA is the preferred method of fetal surveillance for healthy low risk women in labor” SOGC





# Changing culture is hard work... but we can do it!

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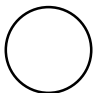


what people think  
it looks like

Success



what it really  
looks like





# Labor Dystocia Checklist

Winnie Palmer Team

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**CMQCC Labor Dystocia Checklist (ACOG/SMFM Criteria)**
**1. Diagnosis of Dystocia/Arrest Disorder (all 3 should be present)**

- Cervix 6 cm or greater
- Membranes ruptured, then
- No cervical change after at least 4 hours of adequate uterine activity (e.g. strong to palpation or MVUs > 200), or at least 6 hours of oxytocin administration with inadequate uterine activity

**2. Diagnosis of Second Stage Arrest (only one needed)**
**No descent or rotation for:**

- At least 4 hours of pushing in nulliparous woman with epidural
- At least 3 hours of pushing in nulliparous woman without epidural
- At least 3 hours of pushing in multiparous woman with epidural
- At least 2 hour of pushing in multiparous woman without epidural

**3. Diagnosis of Failed Induction (both needed)**

- Bishop score  $\geq 6$  for multiparous women and  $\geq 8$  for nulliparous women, before the start of induction (for non-medically indicated/elective induction of labor only)
- Oxytocin administered for at least 12-18 hours after membrane rupture, without achieving cervical change and regular contractions. \*Note: At least 24 hours of oxytocin administration after membrane rupture is preferable if maternal and fetal statuses permit

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