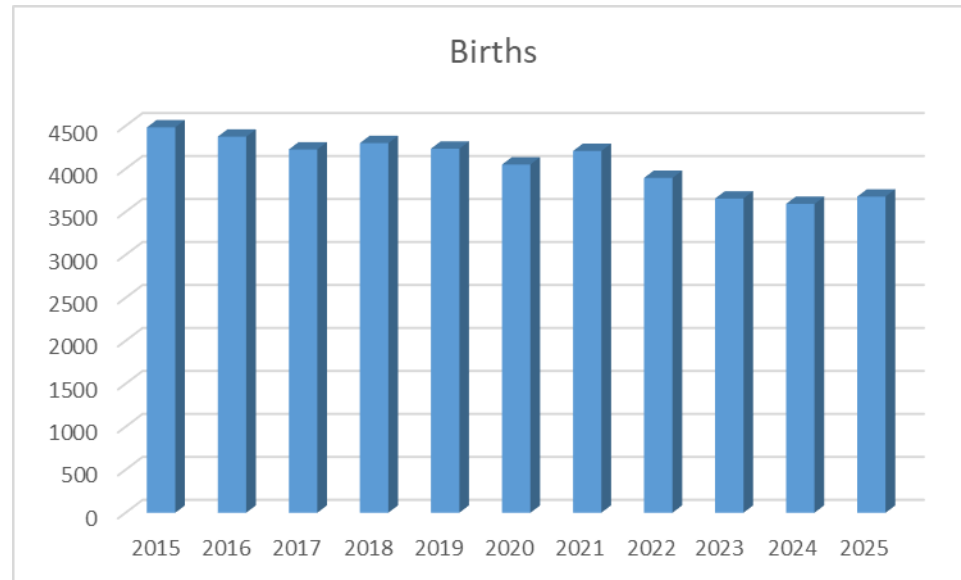


Maternity Overview 2025

EOU arrived 10,911
women



43 sets of twins
1 set of triplets

Births -3678

MODE OF BIRTH	
C/Section	47%
Spontaneous Vaginal Birth	41%
Instrumental Birth	12%

Place of Birth	
Labour Ward	3085
HFH	463
EOU	55
IOL	20
Maternity Ward	5
Main Theatre	1
Home Birth	24

Homebirth Activity 2025 – Community

- on call for 33 women
- outside guidance / contrary to advice 17
- 21 birthed with midwife in attendance

14 transfers to Ulster

Caseloads - average each month	65 (53-68 /month)
AN care delivered by named / known midwife	100%
Births facilitated by named / known midwife	2%
Spontaneous Vaginal birth rate	53%
C/S in labour	20%
Instrumental birth rate	17%
Postnatal care delivered by named midwife	100%
Breastfeeding rate at time of discharge to HV	76%

UPDATED STRUCTURE

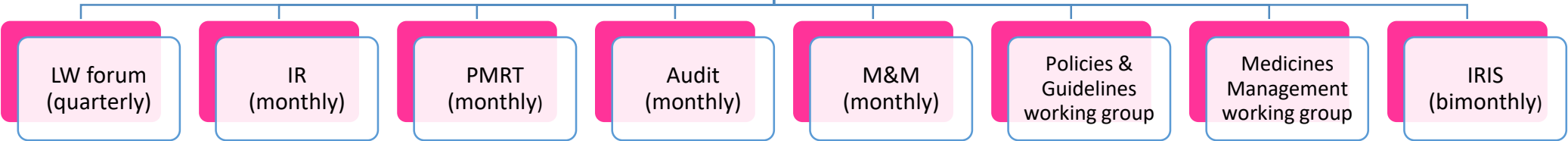
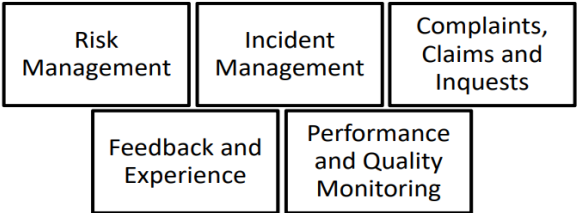
• Ongoing use of Governance Database
Senior Presence Daily at Huddle

Maternity Oversight Group

Directorate Monthly

Quarterly Governance

Maternity Live Governance (weekly)



Service area governance arrangements – teaching sessions, huddles

Governance Facilitator/PMRT midwife 1:1 with HOM

Workforce

- 2 New Obstetric Posts
- Working on further medical recruitment
- New Deputy Head of Midwifery

16 new midwives
8 new midwives (high levels of maternity leave-temp posts)
6 Band 6 Bank Midwives
6 HCA
2 new housekeeper posts
2 Band 7 “patient flow”

- Professional Development
 - Deputy Sister Maternity ward
 - Deputy Sister Theatres
 - Interim A/N screening
 - Interim PD Midwife
 - Interim Bereavement Midwife

Education and Training 2025

CRITICAL CARE PROMPT

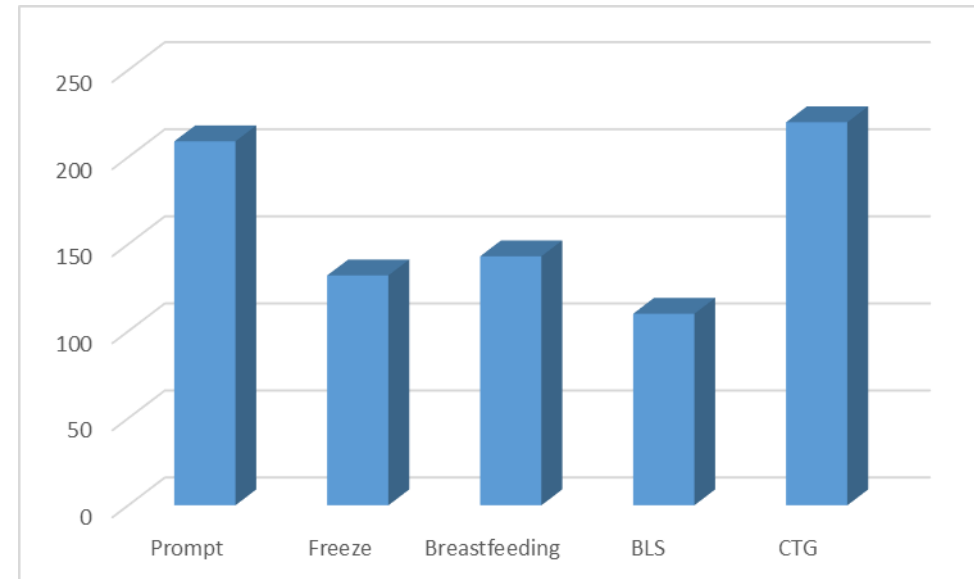
- 13 STAFF TRAINED- New course – MDT involvement

COMMUNITY SKILLS AND DRILLS

- 30 STAFF TRAINED

THEATRE COURSE FOR NEW AND NEWLY ROTATED STAFF

- 17 TRAINED




Improvement Projects

maternity ward

you can do
ANYTHING
you just have to be
DETERMINED

- productive ward type initiative which has transformed storage and equipment for ease of access and efficiency and streamlined and standardised obstetric emergency trolleys
- project to overhaul medicines store to improve safety and provide secure and quiet space for storage, prep and checking
- MSW led breastfeeding workshop
- MSW led discharge information group sessions for new mums

- new post op observations project
- patient self administration of insulin project - 1st success of this in Trust
- OEWS compliance project - huge improvement in audit results
- improved mandatory training compliance
- best BCMA compliance in maternity!! 

- launch of IOL ordering/ scheduling on encompass - midwifery led scheduling
- appointment of deputy sister for theatres
- new dedicated elective section list
- Deputy sister role for obstetric theatres
- Band 4 new banding approved - Maternity Perioperative Assistant/ Senior Healthcare Assistant

bank usage halved as a result of improved staffing

staff team meetings

bimonthly learning meetings now embedded to share and discuss learning from incidents, update staff on new initiatives and share service improvements

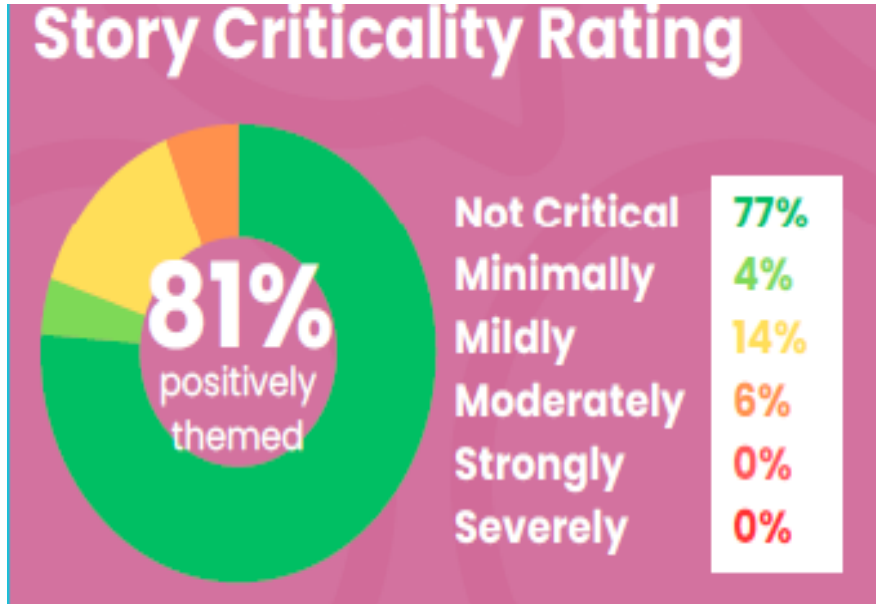


Hypertension in Pregnancy QI Project
Improved Audit
Benchmarking Project Governance
Regional Study Day on – Pre-eclampsia

Feedback

103 stories shared

The majority of experiences were highly positive, with recurring themes of compassionate care, professionalism and personalised support



kindness
reassuring
professional
communication
staff
midwife
above and beyond
midwives
amazing care
support
helpful

listened to
informed
at ease
calm
thankful
cared for
supported
grateful
safe reassured

Next Steps for the Team

- Focus on KPI's and Maternity Dashboard
- Enhance and develop our workforce
- Focus on service development , Cultural Diversity and Social Complexity
- Day Obstetric Unit Pilot project Underway