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**The Thames Valley
Cardiotocograph Sticker project**


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**The Thames Valley physiology led
assessment of the CTG**

Why?

- Focus on improving CTG interpretation
- March 2017 NICE published new guideline on CTG interpretation
- Alternative of physiological basis for interpretation of the CTG
- 6 trusts all with a different tool for CTG interpretation. Majority based on NICE 2014 but one trust had moved to FIGO based guideline
- Incredibly challenging for Obstetric trainees who have to adapt to a different interpretation when they rotate from trust to trust
- Appetite to develop unified tool
- Cons MWs strong feeling that this should include aligning training

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- Agreement across all sites
- Units at different stages from onset
- Electronic vs paper

Challenges?

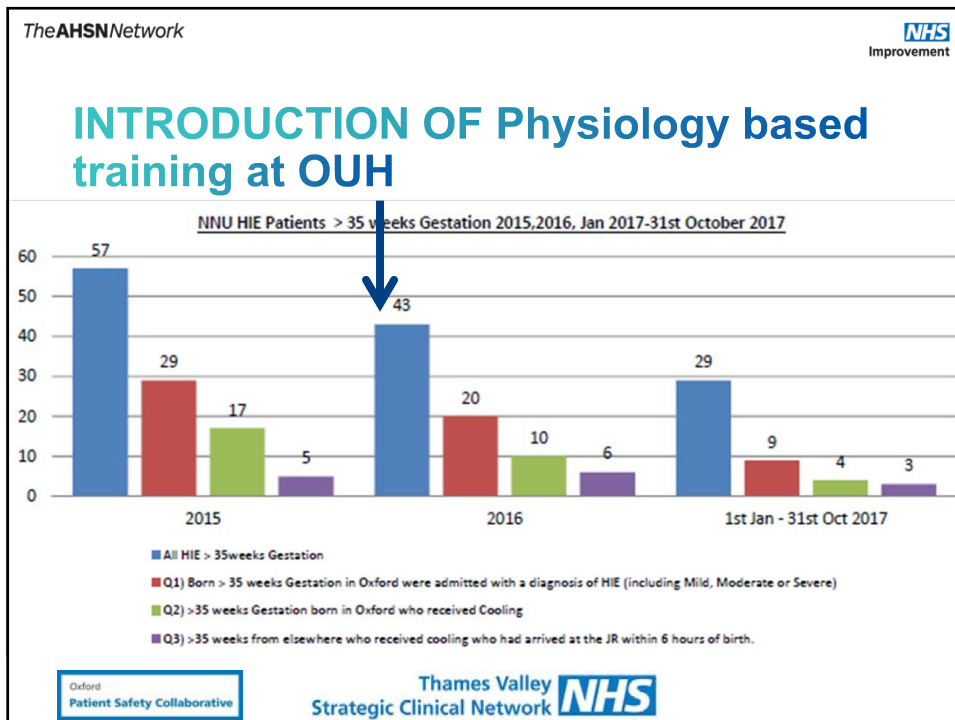
- Physiological interpretation
- Consistency across our services
- Video teaching resource
- To be evaluated 6-8 months after launch

Benefits?

Challenges?

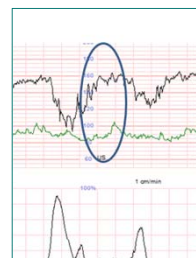
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IA training and Assessment

- Fresh Ears is impractical!
- Good training and support is the key!



Assessment

- **Obstetricians**
42 trained
5 required additional support
Pass rate 88%
- **Midwives**
291 trained
47 required additional support with IA
15 required additional support with EFM
Pass rate 84% and 95%

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Improvement

Resources

- AHSN physiology film
- Regional fresh eyes presentation
- IA teaching package
- EFM and IA assessments

- No point reinventing the wheel!

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