

# Quality of care, obstetrical risk management and type of deliveries in Quebec (qualité des soins, gestion du risque obstétrical et du mode d'accouchement au Québec)

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## Plain English summary of protocol

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MCT-84657

## **Study information**

### **Scientific Title**

Quality of care, obstetrical risk management and type of deliveries in Quebec: a multicentre, two arm, randomised cluster trial

### **Acronym**

QUARISMA

### **Study objectives**

Primary hypothesis:

The QUARISMA program will result in a 20% reduction in the rate of caesarean section (CS) among the hospitals following the intervention compared to control hospitals.

Secondary hypotheses:

This program will result in:

1. A reduction in materno-foetal morbidity, including a reduction in severe morbidity among low risk patients.
2. No augmentation in materno-foetal morbidity among high risk patients.

### **Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

### **Ethics approval(s)**

Le comite d'ethique de la recherche du CHU Ste-Justine, Montreal, QC (Canada), 15/10/2007, ref: #2604

### **Study design**

Multicentre two-arm randomised cluster trial

### **Primary study design**

Interventional

### **Secondary study design**

Cluster randomised trial

### **Study setting(s)**

Hospital

### **Study type(s)**

Treatment

### **Participant information sheet**

Information in English is not yet available in web format, please use the contact details to request a patient information sheet

## **Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied**

Caesarean section rate

## **Interventions**

Audit Group Hospitals:

1. Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada provide training to health professionals (2 days at the year 2 and 1 day at the year 3)
2. Four self audit cycles with supervision by research team (3 months each), facilitated by a local opinion leader, starting at the sixth month of the second year for one year
3. Four other self audit cycles without supervision (3 months each) for another year

Control Group Hospitals:

Usual care.

## **Intervention Type**

Other

## **Phase**

Not Applicable

## **Primary outcome measure**

Caesarean section rate (total number of CS/total number of deliveries): data is collected every day from womens' clinical files during the 3.5 years of the program in the 32 hospitals (16 control and 16 interventions), to compare caesarean section rates in the intervention group with the rate in the control group at the end of the intervention period (year 3) and at the end of the follow-up period (year 4 or post intervention period).

## **Secondary outcome measures**

Measured at the end of the intervention period (year 3) and at the end of the follow-up period (year 4 or post intervention period):

1. Caesarean section rate stratified by indications
2. Caesarean section rate stratified by type of CS (primary or repeat) and by the risk level of the delivery (high or low risk)
3. Vaginal birth after caesarean section rate
4. Obstetrical intervention rate
5. Maternal and neonatal morbidity

## **Overall study start date**

01/04/2008

## **Completion date**

31/10/2011

## **Eligibility**

### **Key inclusion criteria**

Hospital level:

1. Public hospitals with functional surgical rooms
2. More than 300 deliveries per year
3. A caesarean rate greater than or equal to 17%

4. Written agreement to participate in the study from the directors of maternity services and professional services

Woman level (data collection):

5. Women carrying a viable foetus more than 500 grams during the course of the study

**Participant type(s)**

Patient

**Age group**

Adult

**Sex**

Female

**Target number of participants**

32 hospitals

**Key exclusion criteria**

Hospital level:

1. Public hospitals with an existing intervention for reducing caesarean section

Woman level (data collection):

2. Women that give birth or abort before 24 weeks of gestation

**Date of first enrolment**

01/04/2008

**Date of final enrolment**

31/10/2011

**Locations**

**Countries of recruitment**

Canada

**Study participating centre**

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**Sponsor information**

**Organisation**

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Hospital/treatment centre

**Website**

<http://www.recherche-sainte-justine.qc.ca/en/>

**ROR**

<https://ror.org/01gv74p78>

## Funder(s)

**Funder type**

Research organisation

**Funder Name**

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

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Instituts de Recherche en Santé du Canada, Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), CIHR\_IRSC, Canadian Institutes of Health Research | Ottawa ON, CIHR, IRSC

**Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

**Funding Body Subtype**

National government

**Location**

Canada

## Results and Publications

**Publication and dissemination plan**

Not provided at time of registration

**Intention to publish date**

**Individual participant data (IPD) sharing plan**

**IPD sharing plan summary**

Not provided at time of registration

**Study outputs**

Output type	Details	Date created	Date added	Peer reviewed?	Patient-facing?
<a href="#">Results article</a>	results	30/04/2015		Yes	No
<a href="#">Results article</a>	cost-effectiveness results	22/05/2017		Yes	No