

# Labour support and evidence based medicine: a randomised controlled trial of implementation

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**Plain English summary of protocol**  
Not provided at time of registration

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## Additional identifiers

**Protocol serial number**  
M960512

## Study information

**Scientific Title**

**Study objectives**

Providing women with evidence based maternity care, with provision of labour support as a focus, will improve the care of women during childbirth.

**Ethics approval required**

Old ethics approval format

**Ethics approval(s)**

Ethics approval received from the Committee for Research on Human Subjects (Medical), University of the Witwatersrand on the 1st August 1998 (ref: M960512).

**Primary study design**

Interventional

**Study design**

Cluster randomised controlled trial

**Study type(s)**

Treatment

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

Support during labour and evidence based medicine

**Interventions**

Two educational interventions for maternity staff: one focused on provision of labour support and the other on accessing evidence based maternity care information.

**Intervention Type**

Other

**Phase**

Not Specified

**Primary outcome(s)**

Whether women had a labour support person with them during labour.

**Key secondary outcome(s)**

Whether women during labour were:

1. Offered food or fluids
2. Left alone for long periods of time
3. Allowed to move during labour and delivery
4. Given an episiotomy
5. Given an enema
6. Shouted at
7. Struck or slapped
8. Unhappy with their care or perceived their care was bad

**Completion date**

01/03/2000

# Eligibility

## Key inclusion criteria

Maternity units within Gauteng Province, South Africa, that delivered a minimum of 150 women per month.

## Participant type(s)

Patient

## Healthy volunteers allowed

No

## Age group

Adult

## Sex

Female

## Key exclusion criteria

Maternity units within Gauteng Province, South Africa, that were directly linked to a university teaching scheme.

## Date of first enrolment

01/10/1998

## Date of final enrolment

01/03/2000

# Locations

## Countries of recruitment

South Africa

## Study participating centre

Effective Care Research Unit

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# Sponsor information

## Organisation

Effective Care Research Unit (South Africa)

ROR

<https://ror.org/03rp50x72>

## **Funder(s)**

### **Funder type**

Research organisation

### **Funder Name**

Department for International Development (UK)

### **Funder Name**

Medical Research Council (South Africa)

### **Alternative Name(s)**

Medical Research Council (United Kingdom), UK Medical Research Council, Medical Research Committee and Advisory Council, MRC

### **Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

### **Funding Body Subtype**

National government

### **Location**

United Kingdom

### **Funder Name**

International Childbirth Educators Association (USA)

### **Funder Name**

Johnson and Johnson (South Africa)

### **Alternative Name(s)**

Johnson & Johnson, Johnson & Johnson Services, Inc., Johnson&Johnson, Johnson & Johnson Private Limited, , , J&J, JNJ

### **Funding Body Type**

Government organisation

### **Funding Body Subtype**

For-profit companies (industry)

## Location

United States of America

# Results and Publications

## 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	30/04/2007		Yes	No