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Active versus expectant management of third stage of labour: the Hinchingbrooke randomised controlled trial

Submission date
23/01/2004

Recruitment status
No longer recruiting

Registration date
23/01/2004

Overall study status
Completed

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13/10/2014

Condition category
Pregnancy and Childbirth

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[_] Statistical analysis plan
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[_] Individual participant data

Plain English summary of protocol
Not provided at time of registration

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Scientific

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Study information

Scientific Title

Study objectives

This study tested the hypothesis that active management of the third stage of labour lowers the rates of primary postpartum haemorrhage and longer-term consequences compared with expectant management, in a setting where both managements are commonly practised, and that this effect is not mediated by maternal posture.

Ethics approval required
Old ethics approval format

Ethics approval(s)
Not provided at time of registration

Primary study design
Interventional

Study design
Randomised controlled trial

Study type(s)
Treatment

Health condition(s) or problem(s) studied
Pregnancy and childbirth: Childbirth

Interventions
1. Active management of the third stage (prophylactic oxytocic within 2 minutes of baby's birth, immediate cutting and clamping of the cord, delivery of placenta by controlled cord traction or maternal effort)
2. Expectant management (no prophylactic oxytocic, no cord clamping until pulsation ceased, delivery of placenta by maternal effort. Women were also randomly assigned upright or supine position.

Intervention Type
Other

Phase
Not Applicable

Primary outcome(s)
Rate of postpartum haemorrhage

Key secondary outcome(s)
Not provided at time of registration

Completion date
01/12/1995

Eligibility

Key inclusion criteria

Women judged to be at low risk of primary postpartum haemorrhage (PPH) (blood loss greater than 500 ml)

Participant type(s)
Patient

Healthy volunteers allowed
No

Age group
Adult

Sex
Female

Key exclusion criteria
Not provided at time of registration

Date of first enrolment
01/06/1993

Date of final enrolment
01/12/1995

Locations

Countries of recruitment
United Kingdom

England

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Sponsor information

Organisation
NHS R&D Regional Programme Register - Department of Health (UK)

Funder(s)

Funder type
Government

Funder Name
NHS Executive Eastern (UK)

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?
Results article	Results	07/03/1998		Yes	No