Gloucestershire Safety & **Quality Improvement Academy**



Centralised Maternity Booking

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Safety Concerns

We were concerned regarding the equity of midwives' caseloads as well as the number of women accessing midwifery care in a timely manner and failing to meet the KPIs on uptake of initial screening tests.

Stakeholders

Midwives, women, MVP, commissioners, GHT IT, General Managers, Communications, Better Births.

Aim

Introduction of a Centralised Booking System within Maternity Services to ensure that

Measures

Process Measures

- no. of pregnant women allocated to named Midwife by Week 9
- no. of pregnant women booked in before end of Week 10

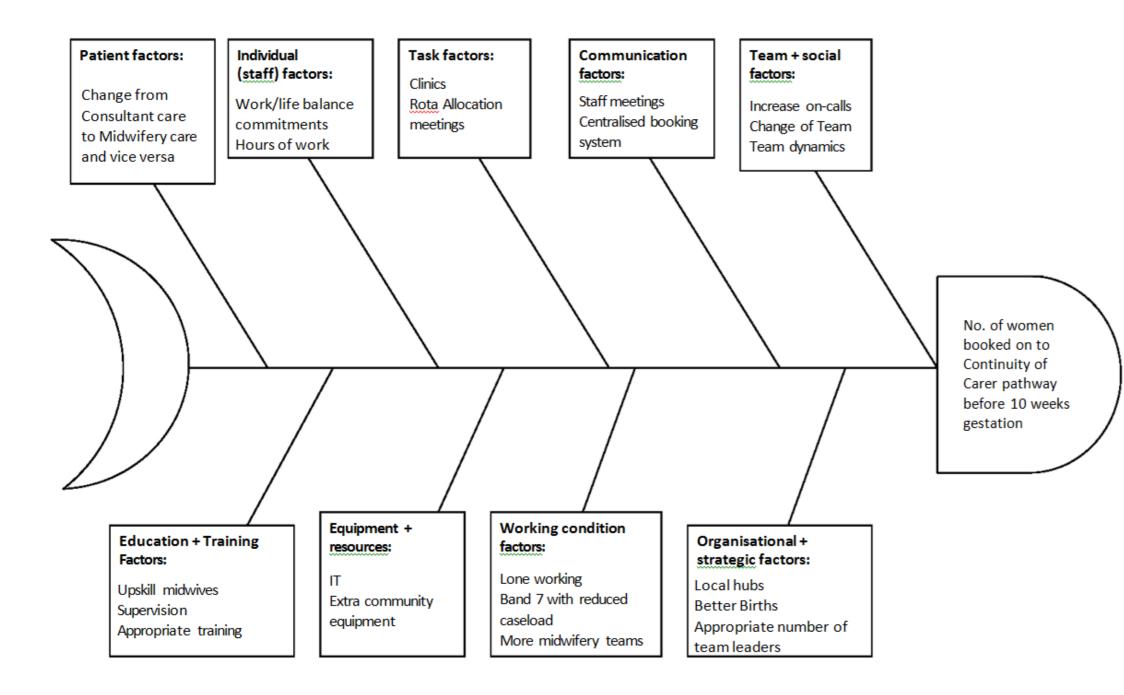
Balancing Measures

- caseload distribution for each midwife across the county (to be equal and fair)
- no. of midwifery hours saved

Outcome Measures

- no. of pregnant women attending "pre-booking" appointments at GP surgeries

Fishbone Analysis



Progress to date

- mapped our current booking system and our vision for a Gold Standard service
- site visit to Southmead Hospital Maternity services (they are already using this system with very good results)

Further Aims

- Easy and equitable access to maternity services for women
- clear auditable trail of referrals
- improving quality of DATA information on hospital system -
- midwives to have improved prior knowledge of women before initial face-to-face contact
- reduction of number attending "pre-booking" appointments at surgeries
- cost-saving of midwifery hours approximately £22.5K per annum as no pre-booking appointments needed

Aim	Primary Drivers	Secondary Drivers	Change Ideas
vell as offered Initial Screening Tests by 10 weeks of Pregnancy	KPIs	Government Targets	20% of women to be on a Continuity of Carer Pathway
		Early detection of certain medical conditions	Blood tests to be undertaken earlier
		BookingSystem	Use and adapt neighbouring Trust booking form
	Better Births	Improving outcomes for mothers and babies	Appropriate local midwife to start care as early as possible
		Women knowing their carer throughout pregnancy	
			Take away "Pre-booking" appointments at the surgery
		Booking System	
	Distribution of Caseloads amongst	Ensuring midwives have smaller caseload of approximately 1:50 WTE per annum	Create a more interactive webpage
			Introduce a web-based pregnancy booking form linking to a centralised booking system

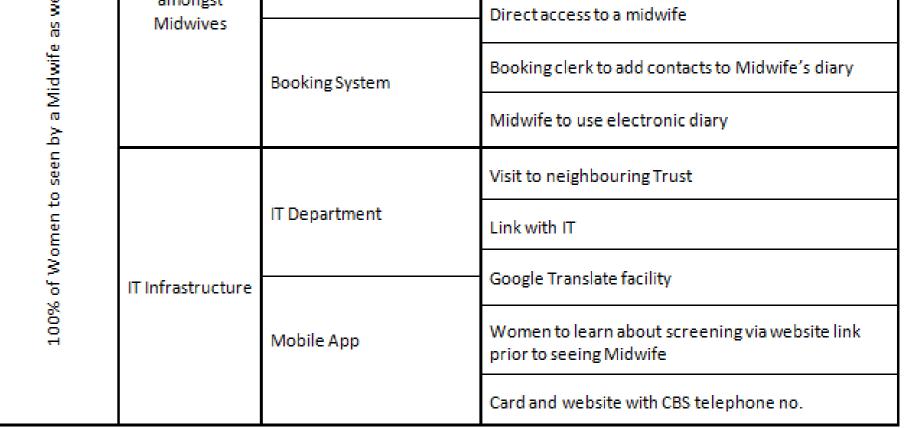
- met with GHT Maternity General Managers (to ensure the organisation participates in the planning and implementation)
- met with GHT IT Manager (to explore capacity of current IT systems)
- link with GHT General side Central Booking System(to explore if we could utilise their current system - or at least learn from them)
- linked with Assistant general manager (to gain support in exploring funding issues and options)

Future Work

To continue to engage with general management team to ensure financial viability

To continue to liaise with it department to develop the required recourses

To continue to have midwifery presence in the project to ensure it remains fit for purpose



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