The Community Skills Day

Enhancing Confidence, Collaboration and Communication

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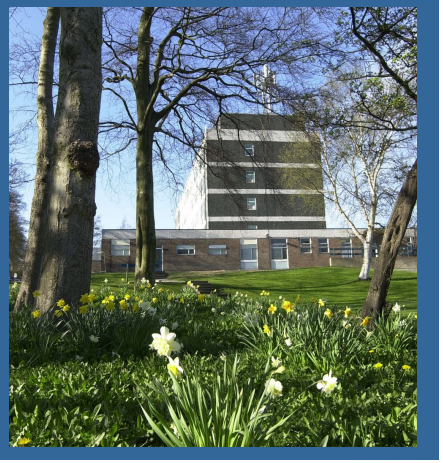

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Setting the Scene

- Skills day training
  - Mandatory requirement
  - CNST
- Evaluations from community midwives
- Maternity Matters (2007) & local demands

Our Idea

- Emergency skills for homebirths – in a home environment
- Midwives collaborating to problem solve

Aim

- To facilitate a reflective approach to emergencies in the home environment, enhancing confidence and improving communication at all levels, in a non-threatening environment.

Planning Issues

- Support from Head of Midwifery and Clinical Director
- Health and Safety
- Resources
- Location

How the Day Runs

- Welcome and tea
- Introductions
- Objectives
- Ground rules
- Demonstrations and practice
- Lunch
- Scenarios and feedback
- Evaluations

The Model for Feedback

- Origins

The Model for Feedback

- What went well, what could be done differently
- The opportunity to re-run
- Two things they felt they did well
- One thing to do differently

Results

- Homebirths
- Community Midwives & Confidence
- Communication and documentation
- Wider collaboration

Future Plans

- Collaborating with independent midwives
- Responding to evaluations
- Being responsive to service needs / women's requests
- Publication
- New programme for 2010
- Monitoring home births/emergencies