

## EQUALITY IMPACT SCREENING TOOL

Please complete the following when screening your policy or service for potential impact on equality groups.

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Directorate or Department and Team	Women & Children's Directorate
2. Name of service or policy	Care of the high dependent obstetric woman including transfer to the critical care unit (ccu)
Is this a new or existing piece of work?	
3. Target audience e.g. patients and public; NHS staff; professional health organisations; voluntary organisation; internal staff	This guideline should be used by those caring for women requiring a transfer to Maternity high dependency care and transfer to Critical Care.
4. What are the aims of the service/ policy?	To outline the management of women requiring high dependency care and the criteria/process for transfer to CCU; including the necessary equipment needed to care for these women.  <b>This guideline should be read in conjunction with the Obstetric Anaesthesia guidelines and the Criterion and Use of the Modified Early Obstetric Warning (MEOWS) chart guideline.</b>
5. Does any part of this service/ policy have a <i>positive impact</i> on our duty to promote good race relations, eliminate discrimination and promote equality based on a person's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation?	No we have bench marked against national and NHSLA guidance.

If No, please provide brief reasons.	
<p><b>6.</b> Could any part of this service/policy have an adverse impact on our duty to promote good race relations eliminate discrimination and promote equality based on a person's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation?</p> <p>If No, please provide brief reasons.</p>	<p>No we have bench marked against national and NHSLA guidance.</p>
<p><b>7.</b> Are there any factors that could lead to differential take-up, outcomes or satisfaction levels based on people's age, disability, ethnic origin, gender, religion/belief or sexual orientation?</p> <p>If No, please provide brief reasons.</p>	<p>No if any equality issues were apparent an individual management plan would be formulated</p>

If you have answered yes to any of questions 5-7, you must now complete a full Equality Impact Assessment using the proforma provided by the Trust.

If you have answered No to all of the above questions, a full assessment is not required. Please complete the following sign-off section and send a copy of this screening to your Head of Service, Matron or Head of Department as appropriate **and** to Liz Abbiss, Head of Communications at Trust HQ.

Name of person completing this screening: Justine Edwards

Job Title: SPMW-Clinical Governance/Risk

Date sent to Head of Service, Matron or Head of department: sep 12

Date sent to Head of Communications, Trust HQ: 08.02.13

For advice relating to completion of this screening, please contact Human Resources on 456111, ext 3251

