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**BABY LIFELINE TRAINING LTD**

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## Multidisciplinary CTG master classes

- **2012** (Content - components for CNST requirements , RCM Accredited)

We respond to recent success and excellent evaluations - the result of selected and highly experienced trainers. Demand has increased for more CTG masterclasses and so Baby Lifeline is to stage these in the main regions detailed. For further detail please call Judy Ledger at Baby Lifeline 02476 422135 or email [judy@babylifeline.org.uk](mailto:judy@babylifeline.org.uk)

This highly acclaimed CTG Masterclass course is beneficial for all midwives, obstetricians and clinical negligence lawyers who are involved in interpreting CTG traces. A basic knowledge of CTG interpretation would be beneficial, but not essential.

### Previous Course Feedback:

‘What a fantastic day! Presentations were of very high quality, good academic level, but felt accessible. Good use of IT.’

‘Excellent course, incredibly informative and thought provoking. One of the best, if not the best CTG course I’ve been on.’

‘The application of physiology and pathophysiology to practice case studies have given me a renewed knowledge and understanding.’

‘I thought I knew quite a bit as a labour ward midwife, but I have learnt so much’

‘National training of this high standard would have a huge impact on incidence of hypoxic injury and unnecessary intervention.’

‘Again, an excellent day, I think you should do a traveling road show to educate all maternity units.’

## **The importance of understanding CTG and training rationale:**

‘The 4th Confidential Enquiries into Stillbirths and Deaths in Infancy (CESDI) in 1997 report highlighted that substandard care, especially with regard to knowledge in CTG interpretation (fetal monitoring), contributed to over 50% of intrapartum (pertaining to the period of labour and birth) related deaths. Unfortunately, ten years later, the Chief Medical Officer’s Report on Intrapartum Related Deaths in 2007, and NHS Litigation Authority Study on Stillbirth Claims in 2009, have also highlighted a continuing problem of CTG misinterpretation among midwives and obstetricians. In addition to death, many babies suffer hypoxic brain injury leading to cerebral palsy and learning difficulties due to substandard care’ said Edwin Chandrabaran - Lead Consultant Labour Ward & Lead for Clinical Governance, and Honorary Chair for Baby Lifeline Training.

Professor James Walker, Chairman of CMACE, Director of Baby Lifeline Training and Senior Vice-President of the RCOG said, ‘the CMACE reports on maternal and perinatal death highlights the ongoing failures in our maternity care systems but we should not underestimate the successes in reduced death over the years. However, it is important to highlight that the risks continue and the learning and improving practice is still required’.

To change this ongoing tragedy we need to develop education and training that is more effective and based on physiology, pathophysiology, research and evidence, to equip clinicians with a better understanding of the underlying processes, particularly in maternal haemorrhage, hypertension and infection as well as interpreting CTG Traces. Competency testing in clinical care should be introduced across the U.K. to improve safety of mothers and babies in labour. Our risk management processes should be more accountable: whilst staff involved in adverse incidents should be well supported, it is equally important to demonstrate that learning from adverse incidents takes place and similar incidents are avoided in the future.’

Baby Lifeline has an excellent and long standing track record of providing multidisciplinary healthcare cutting edge training to improve care.

The CTG master classes are highly recommended and with the staging of pre and post course tests, a massive difference in the delegates’ understanding has been immediately demonstrated.

## **The courses**

**London (7 Bedford Row Chambers, Bedford Row) 24th April 2012.**

**Leeds (Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust) 23rd & 24th May 2012.**

**Birmingham (Heartland NHS Trust) 5th & 6th September 2012.**

**Manchester (Pannone LLP, Deansgate) 19th & 20th September 2012.**

Baby Lifeline Training's clinical experts are now able to provide a limited number of commissioned (For Trusts/groups) and Baby Lifeline national courses (for individual applications) in 2012 as two one day courses:

### **One day - Deeper understanding of CTG and the use of additional tests of fetal well being**

Content: CTG Pathophysiology & Rational Application of NICE Guidelines in Clinical Practice, Types of Hypoxia, Fetal ECG, Fetal Acid-Base Balance including Fetal Blood Sampling with interactive Case Discussions. CTG Master Class also addresses the use of intermittent auscultation, continuous electronic fetal monitoring, fetal blood sampling and the use of oxytocin, which are components of **CNST Maternity Standards**.

Each delegate will receive one month free access to an online web training package, as post-course revision and self assessment.

In addition to the CTG and ECG tests available, the website package offers free practice on real cases which prompts questions to be answered at times when a decision has to be made on how to manage the patient. Correct answers with discussion and learning points are provided as the case progresses, and the actual outcome given at the end.

Each trainee will be able to do the tests and cases as many times as they wish and to monitor their own progress.

### **One day - Updating Fetal Monitoring Course or optional day 2**

Baby Lifeline is also offering refresher courses for delegates who have previously attended a CTG Master class Course. This could also be the programme for a Day 2 for delegates attending the preceding Day 1 who would benefit from a more intensive course in one. This is optional.

This will focus on case scenarios and discussions based on what has been learned from previous courses or from the preceding Day 1 course.

Content: Recap of CTG Pathophysiology, Types of Hypoxia and additional tests of fetal wellbeing (FBS & Fetal ECG), Risk Management and Medico-legal issues with CTG.

Intensive Case Reviews and interactive discussion. N.B. Delegates can also bring their own cases for discussions should they wish and there will be time for individual questions.

## Costs:

### Combined two day courses

For individual applications: £160.

### One day - Deeper understanding of CTG and the use of additional tests of fetal well being

For individual applications: £99.

### Updating Fetal Monitoring Course (one day)

For individual applications: £99.



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