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According to studies done primary postpartum hemorrhage occurs in 4-6% of all pregnancies. Also more than half of all maternal deaths occur within 24 hours of delivery. The statistics are alarming and drawing attention to the issue. Around Georgia maternal health has become a major focus and has led to the Georgia Perinatal Quality Collaborative (GaPQC). It is comprised of multiple professional health care workers including neonatologists, midwives, obstetricians, nurses, and other public health professionals that collaborate to implement quality improvement strategies to improve maternal and neonatal health/outcomes . There have been multiple hospitals around Ga to participate in the GaPQC, my hospital Liberty Regional Medical Center is one of the smaller hospitals involved. The first phase is focusing on postpartum hemorrhage and the prevention/recognition of early signs of hemorrhage. Physicians and staff will be educated on all AIM modules, risk assessments will be done

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on every patient, and there will be an emergency management plan in place for hemorrhage cases. Every unit will have huddles and de briefings on hemorrhage cases. Our labor and delivery unit has a postpartum hemorrhage cart in place that comes to every delivery regardless, QBL is done on every delivery vaginal or C-section, and patients that are deemed high risk on admission have 2 i.v. sites during labor. Our hospital is very excited and feels honored to be able to participate in the GaPQC.



Resources

https://dph.georgia.gov/sites/dph.georgia.gov/files/related_files/site_page/GAPQC_Welcome_Packet.pdf

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