

Questionnaire

1. How many midwives in your department do you have the impression use manual techniques to protect the perineum in the final stage of delivery?
 - Very few (< 10%)**
 - Few (10-30%)**
 - Some (31-70%)**
 - Many (71-90%)**
 - Most of them (> 90%)**

2. In your view, how much has the practice in your department changed in recent years?
 - No change**
 - Little change**
 - Some change**
 - Great change**
 - Complete change**

3. When did the greatest changes occur, *approximately*? (Skip to the next question if you answered “No change” or “Little change” to the previous question)
 - Before 2005**
 - 1st half of 2005**
 - 2nd half of 2005**
 - 1st half of 2006**
 - 2nd half of 2006**
 - 1st half of 2007**
 - 2nd half of 2007**
 - 1st half of 2008**
 - 2nd half of 2008**
 - After 2008**

Comments:

4. Does the department have written guidelines today for active support of the perineum during delivery?

YES **NO**

Comments:

5. If yes: What is the recommendation? (set a cross)

Avoid manual support

Ritgen's manoeuvre

Modified Ritgen's manoeuvre ("Finnish manoeuvre")

Other manual support

Free choice of manual support method

Comments: