

Table 1: Number of inductions performed for each indication before and after the continuous quality improvement and peer review program was implemented

Indication for induction	Number of inductions (and % of total no. of deliveries)	
	Preimplementation Dec. 29, 1995–Mar. 31, 1997	Postimplementation May 31, 1997–Mar. 5, 1998
Post-term pregnancy	441 (5.1)	251 (4.8)
Premature rupture of membranes	461 (5.3)	266 (5.1)
Pregnancy-induced hypertension (pre-eclampsia)	265 (3.0)	124 (2.4)
Suspected fetal jeopardy	317 (3.6)	154 (2.9)
Maternal disease	175 (2.0)	75 (1.4)
Logistics*	16 (0.2)	1 (0.02)
Fetal demise or major fetal anomaly	95 (1.1)	56 (1.1)
Other†	254 (2.9)	86 (1.6)
Not recorded	4 (0.05)	0 (0.0)

*Logistics includes factors such as family circumstance and residence outside Vancouver.

†"Other" includes factors such as substance abuse with risk of elopement and antiphospholipid antibody positive on heparin.

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