

Table 1: Rates of obstetric interventions and outcomes for 8 physicians before (period 1) and after (period 2) change in remuneration from fee for service to income pooling

Intervention or outcome	Mean (and range)		p value
	Period 1	Period 2	
Elective induction of labour, % of deliveries	38.6 (34.8–41.5)	33.3 (28.9–35.7)	0.01
Gestational age in cases of elective induction, d	274.6 (272–277)	275.5 (273–278)	0.02
Elective caesarean section, % of deliveries	8.4 (6.7–10.6)	7.8 (5.0–10.4)	0.48
Emergency caesarean section, % of deliveries	10.0 (8.2–13.2)	9.2 (5.4–11.5)	0.29
Operative vaginal delivery, % of deliveries	17.2 (11.7–22.3)	14.9 (9.1–20.9)	0.21
Total operative deliveries, % of deliveries	27.3 (20.2–31.6)	24.1 (16.9–29.8)	0.16
Length of labour, min	479 (438–516)	512 (492–540)	0.03
Length of second stage, min	50.9 (45–60)	57.4 (46–67)	0.03

[\[Return to text\]](#)