



Example of a trigger list

Develop a trigger list for reviews that is itself reviewed annually, responsive to the DHB trends or clinical indicators and receptive to national priorities. Examples of trigger conditions may include but are not limited to:

- severe blood loss
- third or fourth degree tears
- eclampsia
- sepsis
- re-admission of mother
- shoulder dystocia
- anaesthetic complications
- return to theatre
- uterine rupture
- pulmonary embolism
- venous thromboembolism
- delay in response to escalation.

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¹ Shah A, Mohamed-Ahmed O, McClymont C, et al. 2014. Conditions triggering local incident reviews in UK hospital maternity units: a national survey. *Journal of the Royal Society of Medicine* 5(7): 1–5. DOI: 10.1177/2054270414528898.