

## TO BE USED BY THE PERSON CALLING THE HOSPITAL

### Appendix C: Brief SBAR Script for Phone Call Initiating Transport to Hospital

**Instructions:** Call the hospital and ask for the **Labor and Delivery Charge Nurse**. Read the script, inserting relevant information to communicate the intent to transport.

**Situation:**

- This is (*name & credential or relationship*)
- Calling to transport a *mother; baby; or mother & baby*
- From a planned *home birth or freestanding birth center birth*
- Reason for Transport, such as: *ineffective labor; hemorrhage; newborn resuscitation; other (describe)*
- Please have the OB or Pediatric care provider call me (optional based on situation)

My call back number is \_\_\_\_\_

The client's location is \_\_\_\_\_

Client will be accompanied by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Mode of Transportation:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ETA:** \_\_\_\_\_

Does the client have Medical Records at this hospital?  **Unknown**  **Yes**  **No**

**Background:**

Briefly provide relevant *prenatal, labor & birth, or newborn information*

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mother's Name and Date of Birth      | <input type="checkbox"/> Previous cesarean                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gravida, Para                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated blood loss                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Number of weeks pregnant             | <input type="checkbox"/> Medications                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant prenatal history or labs | <input type="checkbox"/> Therapies administered to mother or baby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vital signs and fetal heart rate     | <input type="checkbox"/> Time of birth                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dilation and station                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Apgar score                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruptured membranes x hrs.            | <input type="checkbox"/> Newborn resuscitation                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Color: Clear, Meconium, Other        | <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated gestational age                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Group B Strep status                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <b>describe</b> )                |

**Assessment:**

Baby's current condition is (*describe briefly, including urgency of transport*)

Mother's current condition is (*describe briefly, including urgency of transport*)

**Recommendation:**

Requested course of action (*describe the interventions that have been initiated and what you want the receiving providers to do for this woman and/or baby*)

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# TO BE USED BY NURSE RECEIVING A TRANSPORT CALL

## Appendix D: Brief SBAR Form for Recording Phone Call to Hospital regarding Transport

Name/Credentials of Hospital Staff receiving call: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Call Began: \_\_\_\_\_ Time Call Ended: \_\_\_\_\_

**Situation:**

Name & credential/relationship of caller: \_\_\_\_\_

Transport for  mother  baby  mother and baby

From a planned  home birth  birth center birth

**Reason for Transport:** \_\_\_\_\_

Call Back Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Client's Location: \_\_\_\_\_

**Who will accompany the client?** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mode of Transportation:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ETA:** \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Records at this hospital?  Unknown  Yes  No

**Background:** Relevant prenatal, labor & birth, or newborn information

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

G, P: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of weeks pregnant \_\_\_\_\_

Significant prenatal history \_\_\_\_\_

VS & FHR \_\_\_\_\_

Dilation \_\_\_\_\_

Ruptured membranes x \_\_\_\_\_ hrs.

Color: Clear, Meconium, Other

Group B Strep (GBS) neg pos unknown

Previous cesarean \_\_\_\_\_

Hemorrhage/EBL \_\_\_\_\_

Medications \_\_\_\_\_

Therapies administered to mother or baby:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Time of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Apgar score

Newborn resuscitation \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated gestational age \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Assessment:**

Baby's current condition is (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's current condition is (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation:**

Caller/birth attendant requested course of action (interventions that have been initiated and what is requested of receiving providers): \_\_\_\_\_

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**For Use by Any Party Using These Recommendations**

**Appendix H: Evaluation and Feedback on Tools Provided in the  
Maine CDC Best Practice Recommendations**

The goal of these Recommendations is to facilitate safe perinatal transport by providing clinicians with tools to support communication and quality management. Your feedback is essential to maintaining the relevance of these Recommendations during the care and transport of newborns and women who are pregnant or postpartum.

**1) Please identify which portions of the Recommendations you used during this transport?**

- Transport Recommendations (for midwife or physician arranging transport)
- Best Practice Recommendations
  - Role of the Mother
  - Role of the Transferring Midwife or Physician
  - Role of the Emergency Medical Service Provider
  - Role of the Receiving Registered Nurse
  - Role of the Receiving Obstetrical or Pediatric Care Physician or Practitioner
- Brief SBAR Script for Phone Call initiating Transport
  - By EMS
  - To Hospital
- Brief SBAR Form for Recording Phone Call
  - Initiating Transport by EMS Dispatch
  - To Hospital regarding Transport
- Maternal/Neonatal Transport Form from Home or Freestanding Birth Center
- Definitions
- Professional Competence Review Process

- 2) **The Recommendations were clear and understandable.**       Agree       Neutral       Disagree
- 3) **The tools enhanced communication during transport**       Agree       Neutral       Disagree

**Do you recommend any changes to the Recommendations?** (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

You may provide your name and contact information so that we may follow-up on recommendations or comments

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact Info:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit completed evaluations to the Maine CDC  
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**For Use by Families Who Experience a Maternal or Newborn Transport from a  
Planned Home or Freestanding Birth Center Birth**

**Appendix I: Evaluation and Feedback about Transport Process**

The goal of the Recommendations is to facilitate safe perinatal transport. The opportunity for personal evaluation and feedback of the **transport process** is essential to identify ways to improve the transport experience for families involved in the care and transport of newborns and women who are pregnant or postpartum. Completion of this form is optional.

| Please tell us about you  | Circle One   |                     |                 |
|---|--------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| <i>Please tell us who you are:</i>  | Parent       | Other Family Member | Family Friend   |
| <i>Please tell us who was transported:</i>  | Mother       | Baby                | Mother & Baby   |
| <i>Please tell us the planned birth location:</i>   | Home Birth   | Birth Center Birth  | Hospital        |
| <b>Please tell us about your experience</b>   | <b>Agree</b> | <b>Neutral</b>      | <b>Disagree</b> |
| I was treated respectfully  |              |                     |                 |
| The information I was provided was clear and understandable   |              |                     |                 |
| Communication between professionals was clear and relevant to ensuring a safe and effective transport |              |                     |                 |
| I felt supported during the transport process   |              |                     |                 |
| I felt supported during after the transport process   |              |                     |                 |

**What part of the transport process went well?** (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**What part of the transport process could be improved?** (please describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

You may provide your name and contact information for follow-up

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Contact Info:** \_\_\_\_\_

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