

Midwifery Led Care Guideline

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Summary of document:

The guideline aims to facilitate antenatal identification of all women who would benefit from midwifery-led intrapartum care and birth in midwifery-led settings.

Scope:

The purpose of adopting the revised All Wales Midwifery-led Care (MLC) Guideline (6th Edition) is to support all Hywel Dda midwives and obstetricians to ensure that the key principles of the maternity care in Wales: a five-year vision for the future are embedded in clinical practice.

The guidance below uses the term 'woman' (pronouns she or her) to describe individuals whose sex assigned at birth was female, whether they identify as female, male or non-binary. It is important to acknowledge it is not only people who identify as women for whom it is necessary to access women's health and reproductive services. Therefore, this should include people who do not identify themselves as women but who are pregnant or have recently given birth. Obstetric and Midwifery services and delivery of care must therefore be appropriate, inclusive and sensitive to the needs of those individuals whose gender identity does not align with the sex that they were assigned at birth.

Patient information:

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Aim

The purpose of **adopting the revised All Wales Midwifery-led Care (MLC) Guideline 6th Edition** is to support midwives and obstetricians to ensure that the key principles of the maternity care in Wales: a five-year vision for the future are embedded in clinical practice.

The aim is to provide a robust clinical governance framework to support midwives in their clinical practice, optimising the five key

- principles of the document: family centred care
- safe and effective care,
- continuity of carer
- skilled multi-professional teams
- sustainable quality services

The All Wales Midwifery Led Care Guideline 6th Addition

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