

# Maternity Patient Safety Statement

This is a monthly report, specific to the hospital named below setting out a range of information on the safety of maternity services.

Hospital Name	Letterkenny University Hospital	Reporting Month	June 2016
<b>Purpose &amp; Context</b>	<p>This Statement is used to inform local hospital and hospital Group management in carrying out their role in safety and quality improvement. The objective in publishing the Statement each month is to provide public assurance that maternity services are delivered in an environment that promotes open disclosure.</p> <p>It is not intended that the monthly Statement be used as a comparator with other units or that statements would be aggregated at hospital Group or national level. It assists in an early warning mechanism for issues that require local action and/ or escalation. It forms part of the recommendations in the following reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HSE Midland Regional Hospital, Portlaoise Perinatal Deaths, Report to the Minister for Health from Dr. Tony Holohan, Chief Medical Officer, 24 February 2014; and</li> <li>HIQA Report of the Investigation into the Safety, Quality and Standards of Services Provided by the HSE to patients in the Midland Regional Hospital, Portlaoise, 8 May 2015.</li> </ul> <p>It is important to note tertiary and referral maternity centres will care for a higher complexity of patients (mothers and babies), therefore clinical activity in these centres will be higher and therefore no comparisons should be drawn with units that do not look after complex cases.</p>		

Headings	Ref	Information Areas	2016	
			June	Year to date
<b>Hospital Activities</b>	1	Total mothers delivered $\geq$ 500g (n)	159	841
	2	Multiple pregnancies (n)	2	11
	3	Total births $\geq$ 500g (n)	161	852
	4	Perinatal mortality rate – adjusted (per 1,000 total births)*	6.2 Per 1,000	2.3 Per 1,000
	5	In utero transfer – admitted (n)	0	0
	6	In utero transfer – sent out (n)	0	4
<b>Major Obstetric Events</b>	7	Total combined rate (per 1,000 total mothers delivered) of major obstetric events for the following four obstetric metrics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eclampsia;</li> <li>Uterine rupture;</li> <li>Peripartum hysterectomy; and</li> <li>Pulmonary embolism.</li> </ul>	0.0 Per 1,000	1.2 Per 1,000