

# To you who have given birth recently:

Questionnaire about experiences with care during birth and post-natal period

The purpose of this questionnaire is to learn about how women experience the health care services offered in Norway during the childbirth and post-natal period. The ultimate goal is to improve the quality of the services.

Your experiences are important and we hope you take the time to answer the questions



If you have given birth earlier, we ask that you consider the care you received in connection with your most recent birth and post-natal period.

# **Pregnancy care** 1. All in all, were the services you used during pregnancy satisfactory? Not at all To a small extent To some extent To a large extent To a very large extent THE STAY AT THE DELIVERY WARD The first part concerns your stay at the delivery ward for the birth. Please also answer if you gave birth at a birth centre (fødestue) 2. Were you taken seriously by the health personnel at the delivery ward when you called to say the labour/birth had started? Not at all To a small extent To some extent To a large extent To a very large extent Not applicable 3. Were you received well when you arrived at the delivery ward? Not at all To a small extent To some extent To a large extent To a very large extent

### Health personnel at the delivery ward

4.Were you treated politely and with respect by the health personnel at the delivery ward?
Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent
To a very large extent
5. Did the health personnel have time for you when you needed it?
Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent
To a very large extent
6. Did you find that the health personnel were open to your questions?
Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent
To a very large extent
7. Did you find that the health personnel cared about you?
Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent
To a very large extent
8. Did you have confidence in the health personnel's professional competence?
Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent

To a large extent

To a very large extent

## Information at the delivery ward

To a very large extent

9. Did you receive sufficient information during your stay at the delivery ward?   Not at all   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent   To a large extent   To a very large extent   To a very large extent   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a very large extent   To a small extent   To a large extent   To a very large extent   To a large extent   To a large extent   To a small extent   To a large extent   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent <th>Information at the delivery ward</th> <th>concerning your birth?</th>	Information at the delivery ward	concerning your birth?
Organization and involvement at the delivery ward   11. Did you find that the services you received during your stay at the delivery ward were well-organized? <ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>Not sure / Not applicable</li> </ul> 12. Did you find that the health personnel cooperated well during the birth? <ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a very large extent</li> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>Not sure / Not applicable</li> </ul> 13. Did you receive information about who had the main responsibility for you?   Not at all   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent   Not at all   To a large extent   Not at all   To a small extent   To a large extent   Not at all   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent <td>your stay at the delivery ward?   Not at all   To a small extent   To some extent   To a large extent   To a very large extent   <b>10. Did you experience that health personnel gave you conflicting information?</b>   Not at all   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent</td> <td><ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>To a very large extent</li> <li>Not sure / Not applicable</li> </ul> 15. Were you involved in decisions concerning your birth? <ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> </ul></td>	your stay at the delivery ward?   Not at all   To a small extent   To some extent   To a large extent   To a very large extent <b>10. Did you experience that health personnel gave you conflicting information?</b> Not at all   To a small extent   To a small extent   To a large extent	<ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>To a very large extent</li> <li>Not sure / Not applicable</li> </ul> 15. Were you involved in decisions concerning your birth? <ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> </ul>
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To a very large extent	the main responsibility for you?     Not at all     To a small extent     To some extent     To a large extent	<ul> <li>Not at all</li> <li>To a small extent</li> <li>To some extent</li> <li>To a large extent</li> </ul>

14. Did you wish to be involved in the decisions

#### Other considerations **POST-NATAL STAY** This part concerns your stay at the 19. All in all, were you satisfied with the services you received during your stay at the delivery maternity ward, patient hotel ward? (barselhotell) or birth centre (fødestue) Not at all after the birth. If you have experiences To a small extent from more than one place, we ask you to To some extent give an overall impression. To a large extent To a very large extent 22. Where did you spend most of the post-natal period? 20. Are you of the opinion that your child was in Single patient room in maternity ward any way given incorrect treatment (according to your own judgement)? Multiple-bed room in maternity ward Not at all Family room in maternity ward To a small extent Patient hotel (barselhotell) To some extent Birth centre (fødestue) To a large extent Other To a very large extent 21. Are you of the opinion that you were in any Health personnel during the post-natal way given incorrect treatment (according to your own judgement)? stay Not at all 23. Were you treated politely and with respect by To a small extent the health personnel during the post-natal stay? To some extent Not at all To a large extent To a small extent To a very large extent To some extent Not sure / Not applicable To a large extent To a very large extent 24. Did the health care personnel have time for you when you needed it?

If you wish to comment on the answers in your own words, there is room for it at the end of the survey

- \_ Not at all
  ☐ To a small extent
- To some extent
- To a large extent
- To a very large extent

# 25. Did you find that the health personnel were open to your questions?

Not at all

To a small extent

- To some extent
- To a large extent
- ] To a very large extent

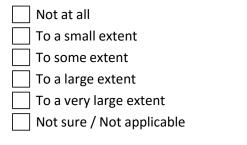
#### 26. Did you find that the health personnel cared about you and your child?

Not applicable

26. Did you find that the health personnel cared	31. Did you receive sufficient information about:
about you and your child?	Child care?
Not at all	Not at all
To a small extent	To a small extent
To some extent	To some extent
To a large extent	To a large extent
To a very large extent	To a very large extent
27. Did you have confidence in the health personnel's professional competence?	32. Did you experience that health personnel gave
Not at all	you conflicting information?
To a small extent	
To some extent	Not at all
To a large extent	To a small extent
To a very large extent	To some extent
	To a large extent
Information during the post-natal stay	To a very large extent
28. Did you receive sufficient information about:	Not applicable
Your physical health after giving birth?	
Not at all	Guidance and support during the post-
To a small extent	natal stay
To some extent	22. Did you washing sufficient suideness on hyperst
	33. Did you receive sufficient guidance on breast feeding or other ways of feeding the child during
To a large extent	the post-natal stay?
To a very large extent	Not at all
Not applicable	To a small extent
29. Did you receive sufficient information about:	To some extent
Any possible mood changes after birth?	
	To a large extent
Not at all	To a very large extent
To a small extent	Not applicable
To some extent	34. Did you receive sufficient guidance on child care
To a large extent	during the post-natal stay?
To a very large extent	Not at all
Not applicable	To a small extent
30. Did you receive sufficient information about:	To some extent
Breast feeding or other ways of feeding the	To a large extent
child?	To a very large extent
Not at all	Not applicable
To a small extent	
To some extent	
To a large extent	

### **Organization during the post-natal stay**

#### 35. Did you find that the services you received during your post-natal stay were well organized?



#### 36. Did you find that the health personnel cooperated well during your post-natal stay?

	Not at all
	To a small extent
	To some extent
	To a large extent
	To a very large extent
$\square$	Not sure / Not applicable

#### 37. Did you receive information about who had the main responsibility for you?

Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent

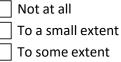
- | To a large extent
- To a very large extent

#### 38. Were things arranged so that you could get enough peace and rest?

- Not at all
- To a small extent
- To some extent
- To a large extent
- To a very large extent

#### Partner

39. Was your partner received well by the health personnel during the post-natal stay?



- To some extent
- To a large extent
- To a very large extent
- Not applicable

#### 40. Were things arranged so that your partner could be present if you both so wished?

Not at all
To a small extent
To some extent
To a large extent
To a very large extent
Not applicable

# **Going home**

- 41. Were you informed about the follow-up available after coming home (this could for example be offered at health clinics, maternity outpatient clinics, or as home visits by community nurse or midwife)?
  - Not at all
    - To a small extent
    - To some extent
    - To a large extent
    - To a very large extent

#### 42. Were you informed about where you could inquire in case of any questions after you got home?

Yes No Don't know

#### 42 a. If "Yes" on number 42: Were the contact people easy to get in touch with?

- Not at all
- To a small extent
- To some extent
- To a large extent
- To a very large extent
- Did not initiate contact

#### 42 b. If "Yes" on number 42: Did you get sufficient help or answers if you contacted someone?

Not at all	
To a small extent	
To some extent	
To a large extent	
To a very large extent	G
Did not initiate contact	0

43. Did you have a consultation with a midwife before going home (check-out consultation/	Other considerations
utreisesamtale)?	46. All in all, were you satisfied with the services
	you received during your post-natal stay?
Yes, an individual consultation	
Yes, a group consultation	Not at all
No No	To a small extent
	To some extent
43 a. If "Yes" on number 43: What benefit did	To a large extent
you have from this consultation?	To a very large extent
No benefit	47. Are you of the opinion that your child was in
	any way given incorrect treatment during the
Small benefit	post-natal stay (according to your own
Some benefit	judgement)?
Large benefit	Not at all
Very large benefit	To a small extent
Did not have such a consultation	To some extent
	To a large extent
	To a very large extent
44. How long did you stay after birth?	
Less than 24 hours	48. Are you of the opinion that you were in any way
24-48 hours	given incorrect treatment during the post-natal
3-4 days	stay (according to your own judgement)?
5-6 days	Not at all
	To a small extent
7 days or more	To some extent
	To a large extent
44 a. If 48 hours or less on number 44: Did you	To a very large extent
have a home visit by a midwife?	
Yes, during the 12. day at home	At home
Yes, during the 36. day at home	
── Yes, during the 710. day at home	49. Did you have a home visit by a community
Yes, after more than 10 days at home	nurse (helsesøster)?
No, had no visit by a midwife	No
	Yes, during the 16. day at home
	Yes, during the 711. day at home
45. Do you think the length of stay was	Yes, after more than 11 days at home
appropriate?	
Yes	49 a. If "No" on number 49: Was your first
No, too short	meeting with the community nurse at the public health clinic (helsestasjonen)?
No, too long	
	No
	Yes, during the 16. day at home
If you wich to commont on the answers in your	Yes, during the 711. day at home
If you wish to comment on the answers in your own words, there is room for it at the end of	Yes, after more than 11 days at home
the survey	50. Have you had any contact with a post-natal
	/breast feeding outpatient clinic since the birth?
	Yes 7
	No No

Background information	53. What is your highest completed level of education?
<ul> <li>51. What is your age?</li> <li>years</li> <li>52. How many times have you given birth in the past?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Primary/lower secondary school</li> <li>Upper secondary school</li> <li>College/university (1-4 years)</li> <li>College/university (more than 4 years)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Never</li> <li>1</li> <li>2</li> <li>3</li> <li>4 or more</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>54. Overall, would you say your health is</li> <li>Excellent</li> <li>Very good</li> <li>Good</li> <li>Fair</li> <li>Poor</li> </ul>

#### If you wish, you may write more about your experiences here.

Please mark this box if you consent to your comments being made available to the hospital, where they will be used in quality improvement work. Do not write your name, personal identity number or other personally identifiable information. Your comments will be treated as strictly confidential.



Thank you very much for taking the time to answer!