AIMS For a better birth...

What has the AIMS Campaigns Team been up to this quarter?

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By the AIMS Campaigns Team

Written outputs:

- 24th August: Open letter to NHS Confederation about new guidance on supporting trans and non-binary healthcare staff.
- 4th September: Freedom of information request to NHS England about the whereabouts of three long awaited maternity related evaluation reports.
- 6th September: Freedom of information request to the NI Ambulance Service for the script used when women are in labour and birth is imminent.
- Review of NICE intrapartum care guideline
- 3rd October: AIMS Campaign's team commentary on Maternity Transformation - where are we?

Conferences and meetings attended:

- 5th August: AIMS stand at Breastival NI
- 10th August: NHS England Maternity and Neonatal (was Transformation) Programme Stakeholder Council meeting
- 13th September: Wales and South West Maternity and Midwifery Festival
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19th September: Women Health Conference at The Kings Fund. AIMS on discussion panel.

- September: Make Birth Better Birth Trauma Workshops
- 18-19th September: HSJ Patient Safety Congress 2023
- 20th September: Pool Study Stakeholder Event
- 21st September: Meeting with European Network of Childbirth Associations (ENCA) colleagues, and associated preparatory meetings
- 22nd September: Stakeholder Advisory Network meeting of the CHERISH project
- 27th September: Maternity Continuity Network meeting (Jo and Catharine), and associated meetings throughout the period
- 28th September: NHS England Maternity and Neonatal (was Transformation) Programme Stakeholder Council meeting
- 12th October: MBRRACE-UK 'Saving Lives, Improving Mothers' Care' virtual conference 2023

Who we have been collaborating with:

- 9th August: Meeting with NCT Head of Communications and Campaigns to introduce AIMS Campaigns
- October: Emailing local MPs about attending Make Birth Better Parliamentary Debate on Birth Trauma on 19th October

What else we have been reading:

- Martyn Pitman case with reference to whistleblowing in obstetrics within the NHS.
- NHS England - Update from the Maternity and Neonatal Programme
-

Gates Foundation 2023 report: Imagine a World

- CQC State of Care report - focus on maternity services
- Henci Goer: Routine 39-Week Induction: Busting the ARRIVE Trial

What we've been watching/listening to:

- Maternity and Midwifery Hour
- MBRRACE UK (maternal) course online
- Parliamentary debate on Birth Trauma
- The Maternity Safety Alliance's call for a statutory inquiry into the maternity services

Thanks to all the AIMS Campaigns Volunteers who have made this work possible. We are very keen to expand our campaigns team work, so please do get in touch with campaigns@aims.org.uk if you'd like to help!

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