

Interventional Radiology Working Group

Emergency Obstetrics IR Pathway (In or Out of Hours) Post-Partum Haemorrhage

1. Key Conditions / Procedures

The key obstetric condition that may require Emergency Interventional Radiology (IR) intervention is post-partum haemorrhage

2. Key Principle

If patients suffer a post-partum haemorrhage in a local hospital without emergency IR cover it will be inappropriate to transfer the patient from one trust to another in this emergency situation and it will not be timely or appropriate for an interventional radiologist to travel to the local trust.

3. In or Out of Hours Emergency Patients

The patients that may require emergency interventional radiology support are local patients with post-partum haemorrhage under the care of a hospital with emergency IR cover.

N.B. This is a guideline – treatment decisions should always be made based on clinical presentation and expert assessment.