



Choice of Birthplace Informed Choice Discussion Teaching Aid

Pictograms to Support Discussing Choice of Birthplace with Clients: Putting Risk into Perspective

The Association of Ontario Midwives has designed a series of pictograms (one set for nulliparous clients and one set for multiparous clients) depicting selected information and evidence published in the *Guideline for Discussing Choice of Birthplace with Clients*.

The series of 9 pictograms are meant to support an informed choice discussion by providing tools to assist midwifery consumers with the visualization and interpretation of the evidence presented in the guideline. None of the pictograms are designed as a stand-alone unit for a client to get all needed information on a topic; they require the assistance of the midwife to provide interpretation as part of an informed choice discussion. As with any knowledge translation tool, these pictograms are meant to enhance a discussion of the evidence rather than replace an informed choice discussion with the midwife.

Each pictogram is composed of two parts:

Front side – the pictorial representation of outcomes or information provided in the guideline. This side is to be shown and explained to clients during an informed choice discussion.

Reverse side – supportive text from the guideline about the visual image shown on the front. This text supports the discussion of the image, but is not meant to dictate the informed choice discussion related to topic.