

***Highlight BFHI activities linking with the National Standards for Safer Better Health Care***

***Cork University Maternity Hospital***

*Aim:* Raise awareness of how BFHI activity can link with other quality actions and value of BFHI activity in providing evidence towards the National Standards for Safer Better Health Care.

*Action:* Establish people involved in reporting on the Standards, comply a report for the Standards committee under Themes 1 and 4 related to BFHI activities, discuss links at the CUMH Clinical Directorate meeting and Cork University Hospital Group, Hospital Standards Committee.

*Outcome:* Raised awareness of the activities. Evidence to be included in the Standards reports includes: Theme 1: survey conducted of service user experiences in OPD breastfeeding support, mothers can breastfeed in all public areas of the hospital and a private space is also available as well as a facility in NNU, a lactation room is provided for CUMH staff, a checklist facilitates 1 to 1 antenatal discussion and material are available in various languages, discussion and informed consent takes place regarding use of donor milk, access to an IBCLC, support helpline and CUMH support group.

Theme 4: ongoing audits monitor compliance with the infant feeding policy and procedures, collaboration with the voluntary breastfeeding support groups, and action plans developed.

Evidence for: Theme 1: Person-centred Care and Support, Theme 4: Better Health and Wellbeing of National Standards for Safer Better Healthcare

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