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Cesarean Section



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with benefits for the fetus and the mother.

*Shearer E.; Cesarean section: medical benefits and costs. Soc Sci Med 1993 Nov; 37(10):1223-31.*

The results of this study

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The results of this study show that 30% of cesarean sections performed in an English teaching hospital were unnecessary. There was significant disagreement between physicians as to whether or not to perform a cesarean section. Even more importantly, when physicians were presented at different times with the same information, their opinion as to whether or not to perform a cesarean section was inconsistent in 25% of cases. These data indicate that clinical decisions in obstetrics are often influenced by physicians' personal reasons rather than by medical factors.

*Barratt JF, Jarvis GJ, Macdonald HN, Buchan PC, Tyrrell SN, Lilford RJ, Inconsistencies in clinical decisions in obstetrics. Lancet 1990 Sep 1; 336(8714):549-51.*

The results of this study show that maternal mortality rates in women delivering by cesarean section are 7 times higher than those of women delivering by vaginal route.

*Schuitmaker N, et al, Maternal mortality after Cesarean section in The Netherlands. Acta Obstet Gynecol Scand 1997 Apr; 76(4):332-4.*

The results of this study show that cesarean section delivery is associated with a 7-fold increased risk of maternal death, compared to vaginal delivery. After the exclusion of women who experienced medical complications before delivery, the risk of maternal death associated

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