



Dear Prospective Parent,

The following information is made available to you in accordance with regulatory requirements of the Massachusetts Chapter III, Section 70E. The information is based on fiscal year 2016 statistics.

During the fiscal year 2016, 2,315 women chose to have their babies at Beverly Hospital, which includes the North Shore Birth Center.

Cesarean Deliveries

In fiscal year 2016, Beverly Hospital had a Primary Cesarean delivery rate of 15 percent and a Repeat Cesarean delivery rate of 11 percent.

Certified Nurse Midwives

Approximately 38 percent of the 2,315 births were delivered by Certified Nurse Midwives.

Fetal Monitoring

In fiscal year 2015, total of 99 percent of women delivering at Beverly Hospital had continuous external fetal monitoring in order to evaluate the status of their infant during labor.

Of the 99 percent who had external fetal monitoring, less than one percent of the women required internal fetal monitoring.

Forcep Delivery

In fiscal year 2016, two women delivering at Beverly Hospital required forceps for delivery.

Induction/Augmentation

The annual percentage of women at Beverly Hospital who had induced births was 12 percent. An additional 30 percent had their labor augmented.

Episiotomies

Of the total number of women delivering at Beverly Hospital, three percent required an episiotomy.

Anesthesia

In fiscal year 2016, 54 percent of women delivering at Beverly Hospital had epidural anesthesia, for pain control, during labor and delivery; including cesarean section.

The percentage of women receiving spinal anesthesia was 17 percent. This is usually for surgical procedures only.

Less than one percent of the women delivering at Beverly Hospital required general anesthesia.

Breastfeeding

In fiscal year 2016, 83 percent of mothers delivering at Beverly Hospital were breastfeeding their infants at the time of discharge. Of the 83 percent breastfeeding mothers, 48 percent were exclusively breastfeeding their infants.

If you have any further questions or would like additional information, please feel free to contact me at Beverly Hospital by calling 978.816.2037. We look forward to meeting you when you come to Beverly Hospital for your very special delivery.

Sincerely,

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