

GE Healthcare

# Electronic Fetal Heart Rate Monitoring Interpretation and Management education program

Customer testimonials



The Electronic Fetal Heart Rate Interpretation and Management program is a web-based program on the use of standardized FHR terminology, based on the definitions proposed by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD). The program emphasizes the importance of accurate, consistent interpretation and communication.

Customers have recognized the strength of this program and the value it brings to patient care.

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“Thanks, again, for the GE fetal monitoring program. Every one of our delivering physicians and all L&D nurses have completed the 5-module course, and to rave reviews. The program is informative, incorporates the NIH language we wish our staff to use, and repetitively emphasizes the concepts and physiology crucial to competence in interpreting fetal monitor strips. It is also visually interesting and pleasantly interactive.” More importantly, the fact that both medical staff and nursing staff took the same course has everyone talking the same fetal monitoring language. How remarkable that we were able to improve and verify competence in fetal monitoring while simultaneously improving communication among staff members in L&D!

Kudos to you and your staff at GE.

Peter J. Weeks, M.D.  
Chairman and Medical Director,  
Department of Ob/Gyn  
Edward Hospital  
Naperville, IL

“This program has managed to integrate the underlying physiology of FHR interpretation with appropriate use of the NICHD nomenclature, making it an excellent tool for education as well as review. As an EFM educator, I am always looking for innovative methods to reinforce training in fetal monitoring, and this interactive model is perfect.”

Lisa A. Miller, CNM, JD  
President, Perinatal Risk  
Management & Education Services  
Chicago, IL

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“In the world of professional liability, the best risk management is the delivery of quality medical care. My company’s goal, and the goal of our insured obstetricians, is to send home healthy mothers with healthy babies. We believe that the GE Healthcare Fetal Monitoring Interpretation Program contributes significantly to that end, and we have all of our physicians complete it online. The format allows the busy physician to complete the course at his or her convenience, and the method of reviewing information presented in earlier modules promotes continuity of learning.

JoAnn Bienvenu, RNC  
Director of Risk Management  
Medical Assurance Company of Mississippi

"The Dept. of Obstetrics voted to require completion of the GE Fetal Monitoring Interpretation Program for OB Staff Re-appointment. L&D Nursing Staff followed suit thereby fostering a mutual learning experience, defined nomenclature and best practice expectations for both groups. All 38 MD's and 76 of 77 RN's completed the courses in the set one year period.

The e-learning format served the "computer-phobic" individuals with a positive electronic experience which will facilitate our transition to a complete electronic medical record. This program was a resounding success!"

Nancy Jean Schoo, RNC  
Perinatal Systems Specialist  
Edward Hospital  
Naperville, IL

"Training and ongoing competence maintained and assessments pose a continual challenge on a large unit. The GE EFM program allows staff to complete training 24/7 when they are on the unit. The self directed, self-paced style works for everyone. We are very happy with this addition to our staff education plan.

Both physicians and nurses have expressed satisfaction with this educational program."

Robbie Sonnentag  
Clinical Manager OB  
Waukesha Memorial Hospital

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"... accurate, helpful, relevant..."

"I found this educational tool to be accurate, helpful, relevant and an enjoyable learning exercise that is well- conceived and executed – you will find it useful for initial teaching and very helpful as a tool for recurring study."

James N. Martin, Jr., MD,  
Professor and Director of OB-MFM  
University of Mississippi's Wiser Hospital for Women & Infants

“Congratulations to the creators of the FHR program! The program, adhering to widely disseminated reference sources, offers caregivers the potential to increase the consistency of their visual interpretation and management of fetal heart rate monitoring patterns. It also holds significant potential for hospitals – to improve communication and patient safety. For those interested in pursuing “competency testing,” the program should be a potential tool. While there can never be a universal acceptance of any clinical program, the creators have gone the extra mile and made a real effort to solicit independent critique and suggestions from recognized peer-review clinicians with a long term interest in continuous FHR and related issues.”

Richard Depp, MD, FACOG  
Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology  
Drexel University

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“The safety and well-being of mothers and babies is the ultimate goal of nurses, physicians and midwives. Labor and Delivery nurses function as the ‘eyes’ of the provider and are in constant surveillance when they cannot be there. This fetal monitoring program facilitates a common language among providers and nurses and enhances communication – helping to assure optimal outcomes.”

Michelle Venn, RN  
Patient Care Supervisor  
St. Francis Hospital Birthing Center  
Milwaukee, WI

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