2017 Network Rates

- Overall C/S Rate: 32%
- Primary C/S: 21%
- Induction Rate: 33%
- SCN/NICU Admit: 11%

FAQs Section

If a woman has an IUFD at any gestation and has had no HIV testing is the hospital required to do a rapid test?
Yes to both. All pregnant and delivering women are to be offered an HIV screen early in pregnancy and again during the 3rd trimester. It is understandable that a woman experiencing a loss may decline screening, but each woman must be offered the opportunity to know her HIV status. The offer, acceptance or refusal of screening must be documented in the patient's chart.

Do we need to report a fetal demise less than 20 weeks?
You need to report the fetal demise for your statistics and place them on a list. However, abstracts and records are only needed for review during the M & M of gestations 20 weeks and above. Exceptions to that is if the network hospital or MFM/Neo from the APC requests a review.

All babies born at less than 20 weeks gestation with any sign of life and assigned an APGAR will be reviewed and require a full abstract and chart for M & Ms.

Use of Neonatal Glucose Gel – Teri Boland, MS, RNC-NIC/OB, C-EFM, APN/CNS
Treatment of infants with hypoglycemia with dextrose gel or formula is associated with increased blood glucose concentration and breast-feeding with reduced need for further treatment. Dextrose gel and breast-feeding should be considered for first-line oral treatment of infants with hypoglycemia (J Pediatr 2017; 190: p.136).

Implementing Unit Specific Ethics Committee – Angel Lampkin-Kwabena, MA, BSN, RN
Ethics group discussions provide an alternative to the routine staff meeting. Ethical discussions in everyday clinical practice enhance the nurse's growth by facilitating her ability to form and define good patient care. Nurses participating in ethical discussions report a reduction in moral distress. (Reilly, and, Jurchak, 2017; 41(4), pp. 376-383).

MISSION
Anne Cunningham, MSN, RNC-NIC, named Manager of NICU at LUMC.
St. Alexius Medical Center achieved Baby Friendly designation in February 2018.