

The MAMMI Study

Newsletter, June 2018

From everyone here at the MAMMI study, we hope that you and your family are all happy, healthy and well and enjoying the summer months! It is always a pleasure to update you on the developments and progress of the study. Remember to follow us on Twitter at [mammi_tcd](#) to keep up to date on MAMMI events!

The MAMMI 5-year and Second Baby follow-up studies are well underway and we are delighted to have so many women continue with the research! The study could not take place without your ongoing support, a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who has taken, and continues, to take part!



Progress on the MAMMI Public Participation in research Initiative

Many thanks to all the women who joined us for the MAMMI Public Participation in research Initiative meetings in March and May. It has been wonderful to see women engaged and enthusiastic about MAMMI research and women's health! We are truly grateful to have women share their experience and perspectives on the needs of women in early motherhood with the team.

We are delighted to say that the first of the two research topics has been identified and put forward for ethical review:

'What research matters to women in the first year of motherhood?'

The aim of this first qualitative study generated by the PPI meetings is to identify the research issues that matter(ed) most to women, based on their own experience of maternity care, services and motherhood, up to one-year post-birth.

Following ethical approval, we will extend a formal invitation to MAMMI participants to take part in one-to-one telephone interviews to explore women's priorities, attitudes and values in relation to research, to identify the top research issues that matter(ed) to women in the first year of motherhood and to identify how these research issues could contribute to making the first year of

motherhood better for them (i.e., impact: personal/ability to change/modify services)

Congratulations to Deirdre O'Malley on submission of her PhD thesis.

Welcome to Maggie O'Donovan, Sinead Craddock and Alison Dillon who joined the team as research assistants.

We are pleased to say that the MAMMI Team will be hosting a One-day International Maternal Health Conference: **Improving Maternal Health -From Evidence into Action-** on **Tuesday, October 23rd, 2018**, at the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Trinity College Dublin. This conference will bring together speakers from all backgrounds with a shared interest in improving maternal health by translating the best available evidence into practical improvements in how services are delivered to the women who need them.

We will be offering **30 FREE PLACES** to MAMMI participants who wish to attend, you can expect to receive an invitation and further information in September, make sure to grab your place!



If you have changed address, help us stay in touch by letting us know at our new email address: mammistudy@tcd.ie or call us on: 087 118 6762.

If you are interested in becoming involved with MAMMI research or have any questions, feel free to contact us at either of the above!