

**Martha Tubman Hospital, Grand Gedeh County: mothers' comments about monitoring their own babies during labour.**

Comments	Total	Positive	Negative	Not applicable to monitoring	Pain – able to continue monitoring	Unable to continue
	78	75	1	2	31	6

The 2 comments that were not applicable to FHR monitoring

- 1 The mother was suffering eclampsia
- 2 The comment related to Caesarean section and care of the baby by staff.

Negative comment was written by the health care worker: **(midwife took over monitoring – patient said she could no longer bare the pain)**

37 women mentioned pain – most (31) were able to continue.

6 comments suggested that monitoring was taken over by a midwife.

**Examples of comments**

*This new thing you bring in this hospital it is good but the pain was too hard, the only thing that make me happy since I was born and been loving my children this is the first time for me to hear my own baby heart sound in my stomach. My people thank you, let it please be here all the time.*

*This new thing was very hard to do because of the pain, but thank God that I myself was able to hear my baby heart beating in my stomach and your thank you too, because me and my baby are alright. Please keep doing this new in this hospital so all our children born here will be alright all the time.*

*It was very very good to do as a midwife. I know that if this is done in all the clinics in Grand Gedeh county all our babies will not die from birth asphyxia. I really appreciate your new method you taught me to do as a midwife I never knew that this would be done by myself.*

*I find this new thing very very good because today I learn a new thing that had to do with hearing my own baby heart beat in my stomach. This new idea made me to even forget about stomach pain. No problem doing this new thing because I was happy that I was going to born my baby alive. Your thanks a lot may God bless everyone.*

*It was alright only the pain was too strong for me but I thank God that today I know that big belly can be in pain and hear their baby heart sound beats in their stomach, your thank you for this new thing you bring, when I go home I will tell all my friends who are still pregnant that when you in pain the doctor women will make or teach you how.*

*This new idea that I learn today was very good indeed it makes me to know that I myself can listen to my baby heart beat while going through pain and the good things about this whole process was my baby heart beat was normal according to what you taught us today, I did not feel any bad thing inside let god bless all of you and the people who brought this new idea in our hospital thank you.*

*It was very good I really enjoy it because I learn new thing here in our hospital to hear my own baby heart beat in my stomach so I was not concern again about the pain only hoping to see my baby in my hands because my baby heart beat was always alright so your thanks so much.*

*This new thing your bring in our hospital is very very good , only the pain was too much for me. It really help me because some of our friends come and never carrying their babies home, but thank God that me and my baby are alright. Your thank you, let God bless all of you.*