

### *What is changing?*

Events reported as **Maternity Care** in Category – Level 1 will have some additional selections available in Category – Level 3. The additional selections will be made available by end of day, January 25, 2018.

### *Why have these changes been made?*

[Perinatal Services BC](#) (PSBC) has requested a dashboard to view the types of events reported in BCPSLS by the Health Authorities involving maternity care issues. In preparation, BCPSLS Central Office performed quality assurance reviews on event records with Final Approval status where Category – Level 1 is **Maternity Care** and Category – Level 2 and/or Category – Level 3 are **Other**.


Through the BCPSLS Coordinators, we then reached out to the perinatal community in the Health Authorities and proposed some minor changes and additions to improve the reporting capability and data tracking in the short term. We have incorporated the feedback we received and are now ready to move forward with the changes.

At a later date, we will invite perinatal experts from the Health Authorities to collaborate on developing a more robust reporting taxonomy and reporter form for perinatal events.

### *What do I need to know?*

The additional selections available in Category – Level 3 will enable Reporters to add more detail to **Maternity Care** events. This is anticipated to improve both data quality and ease of reporting.

The new options available in Category – Level 3 are as follows:

Category – Level 2 options	 New options in Category – Level 3
Delivery complication or unexpected outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery outside of home or hospital</li> </ul>
Fetal complication or unexpected outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fetal deterioration resulting in delivery intervention (e.g. forceps / vacuum / C-section)</li> </ul>
Infant complication or unexpected outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unexpected resuscitation</li> </ul>
Maternal complication or unexpected outcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Unexpected deterioration</li> <li>• Perineal tear (degree indicated in Degree of harm field)</li> <li>• Prolapsed uterus</li> </ul>

### *Where can I find more information?*

Please contact your Health Authority BCPSLS Coordinator.