

Use of fetal pillow for failed trial of instrumental delivery

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Aims:

To reduce maternal and fetal trauma associated with second stage caesarean section following failed trial of instrumental delivery.

Case selection:

For use following failed trial of instrumental delivery to aid with dis-impaction of the fetal head prior to surgery.

Method for use:

- Remove all instruments from fetal head
- Bi-fold fetal pillow device in two and lubricate
- Insert vaginally to ensure balloon surface in contact with fetal head
- Unfold the fetal pillow to be flat and in contact with fetal head
- Push device as posteriorly as possible towards coccyx
- Placement is similar to application of posterior ventouse cup
- Lay legs flat
- Inflate fetal pillow with 180ml of saline using 60 mls syringe provided (i.e. 3x full syringes)
- Proceed to LSCS
- DON'T FORGET TO REMOVE DEVICE FOLLOWING LSCS
- For further help please refer to the laminated posters in theatre