

How does COVID-19 affect waterbirth?

On 29th April, Oxford Brookes University in the UK published a piece titled "Coronavirus COVID-19: Supporting healthy pregnant women to safely give birth" that addresses the questions of birth setting and risks for water immersion in labor.

The authors conclude that "Water immersion for labour and/or birth should be supported and encouraged as an effective method of analgesia." This is a timely and valuable contribution to the debate about the impact of COVID-19 on midwifery practice.

The document including references can be downloaded from https://www.brookes.ac.uk/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=2147622699.