## INQUIRY INTO BIRTH TRAUMA

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## Partially Confidential

During my first birth at age 23 I was told by an attending doctor that I needed to have a cervical stretch and sweep (the third for the day) to move things along. I agreed as my baby was in distress. He proceeded to aggressively undertake the procedure the the point where I had to restrain my self from kicking him in the head. Later he returned and upon learning that I had further dilated he jeering looked at me and proclaimed that it was his magic fingers that did the trick - waggling his fingers at me and laughing. I was not the only person in the room who was disgusted.