

## INQUIRY INTO BIRTH TRAUMA

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I had 2 inductions at \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital in 2017 and 2018 at 37 weeks for my two youngest daughters. Firstly, I wanted inductions and was given them. However I asked for a minimal medical intervention unless absolutely necessary. I did not want the synthetic hormone to stimulate labor and was almost forced to accept it.

In 2017 with my 3rd born daughter apart from not being listened to during labor (and indeed in the weeks before in the high risk clinic), we were ignored and almost shoved into a corner for the time we were there. My daughter was medically well but they refused to discharge us because “you are a single parent and you will struggle”. I live an hour away from \_\_\_\_\_

I wanted to be home with my support system but no one would listen. With my fourth her labor was so quick and multiple times her heart rate dropped but no one listened to me or my support person.

When my youngest was born she was in the nicu for an extended period. She stopped breathing after birth and was put onto a cpap machine. I wasn't told until 2.30am the night she was born! She was born earlier around 3.30pm that afternoon. Multiple times meals I ordered were not delivered because I was in the nicu with my sick baby. I am a type 2 diabetic and I was told to starve until the next meal time. So in turn I had hypoglycaemia and my sugars would drop drastically.

The nurses in the nicu were amazing, but if I ever have another child I would not go anywhere near \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital. Even the horrible experiences I had at \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital weren't as bad as \_\_\_\_\_