

**Submission
No 1218**

INQUIRY INTO BIRTH TRAUMA

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When I was finished labouring, the midwife injected me with Syntocinon without my consent or checking with me first.

She told me it needed to be done in case I was bleeding but there was no indication that I was. I didn't want it, I didn't ask for it and I never gave informed consent.

Studies have linked any artificial oxytocin given during labour to higher rates of postpartum depression and anxiety- I ended up with both.

I had a natural, drug free birth - but being jabbed unwillingly robbed me of my autonomy.