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INQUIRY INTO BIRTH TRAUMA

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After my first traumatic birth. Post-partum and being separated from my daughter I had a second traumatic birth with my son. He was an emergency cesar as his heart rate went up and needed to be taken out. When he was born he wasn't breathing properly and was rushed out the door I didn't know if he was alive. He was not taken past me to even see what he looked like. Yes they saved my son but I was also left alone panicking and not knowing whether my son was Alive. During this pregnancy I had gestation diabetes which was diet controlled and I was told by an obstetrician on my check up that, did I know my babies were so big. I was told I needed to eat less. Even though I was on the diet and my babies are genetically big. This Nicu experience being my second was a much nicer one staying in the same hospital even though the birth was traumatic.