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Dear Mr. Woods,

We as Family Practice members have met to discuss our ability to provide labour and delivery services under the present contingency plan. Given the availability of Obstetrical and Pediatric back up we will be able to provide low risk obstetrical care. The definition of low risk will be decided on a case-by-case basis. As the locum specialist back-up is for emergencies only, we will not plan to keep people who will most likely need the locum specialist services, i.e. preterm labour (<37 weeks), diabetic mothers on insulin etc. Whether or not booked repeat C-sections will be done will need to be discussed with the locum specialist, as this is not an emergency service.

We will continue to accept low risk patients from other communities. We would ask that the charts be reviewed for risk stratification, by a central person such as the obstetrical manager or clinical coordinator, one week prior to the patient being seen in Yellowknife.

This is a contingency plan only and the services provided will be reviewed every two weeks after July 1st. No contingency plan can replace the services provided by regular full time specialists or duplicate the high level of obstetrical care we are now able to provide.

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