**What do maternity services produce? An exploration of potential output measures to assess the efficiency and productivity of maternity services in Australia.**

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*Additional File 1: The twelve principles for woman-centred care as outlined in the Australian national strategy Woman-centred care: Strategic Directions for Australian Maternity Services*

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| **The Twelve Principles for Woman-centred Maternity Care** 12 |
| Women receive individualised information and appropriate care during the perinatal period that is based on current, high quality evidence. |
| Women have access to individualised culturally safe and responsive maternity care, in their preferred language. |
| Women access care from a maternity care workforce that is responsive, competent, resourced and reflects cultural diversity. |
| Women are treated with dignity and respect throughout maternity care. |
| Maternity care is holistic, encompassing a woman’s physical, emotional, psychosocial, spiritual and cultural needs. |
| Women’s safety and experience of maternity care is underpinned by respectful communication and collaboration among health professionals. |
| Women are provided with and can readily access information about all locally available maternity services. |
| Women are supported to make informed decisions and choices about their care. |
| Women’s choices and preferences are sought and respected throughout maternity care. |
| Women have access to appropriate maternity care where they choose from conception until 12 months after birth. |
| Women have access to continuity of care with the care provider(s) of their choice — including midwifery continuity of care. |
| Women have access to mental health information, assessment, support and treatment from conception until 12 months after birth |