Building Capacity for Resilience and Growth in Reproductive Health and Childbirth Research

The beginning...One midwife...Small portfolio...



- **Raising research awareness**
- Training and education
- **In-house GCP facilitation**
 - Creation of Research Midwife secondment opportunities
 - **New Principal Investigators**



COLLABORATION

- Swansea University Medical School
- Increased number of sponsors
- Portfolio growth
- NIHR Regional Research Midwife Champions
- Swansea University Student Midwives
- Research forum

RESILIENCE

Response to Covid:

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VISIBILITY

- **Clinical presence**
- Support and guidance of staff
- Promotion of research agenda for staff e.g. new staff induction, Antenatal forum, Professional Update, research notice boards, O&G teaching
- **Promotion of research activity for potential participants e.g. social** media, notice boards, posters, face-to-face.
- Impact on improving quality of care; USS machine, birthing pool, wireless telemetry, birthing aids, training simulators

GROWTH FOR THE FUTURE....

- Creation of new role Clinical Research HCSW 1WTE
- Research Midwife permanent posts from 1WTE to 1.8WTE **Research Midwives**
- **Portfolio growth based on proven reputation**
- Research engaged workforce job descriptions, mandatory

- Trial suspension adaptation
- **Flexible working**
- **Remote consenting**
- **Electronic site files**
- **Bespoke GCP**

Promoting uptake of PI roles & Associate PI scheme

THE IMPACT....

- 16 studies, 1498 participants
- **Evidence based care**
- **Improved outcomes**
- **Enhanced quality of care**

