

## **Systems-level factors affecting registered nurses during care of women in labor experiencing clinical deterioration.**

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Maternal morbidity and [mortality](#) continues to be a significant patient safety problem. This mixed-methods study identified system-level factors affecting registered nurses during care of people in labor experiencing clinical deterioration. Task [overload](#), missing or inadequate tools and technology, and a crowded physical environment were all identified as performance obstacles. Improving nurse workload and involving nurses in the redesign of tools and [technology](#) could provide a meaningful way to reduce maternal morbidity.