

10.1. RECOMMENDATION:

Should MIDWIVES external cephalic version (ECV) for breech presentation at term?

Problem: Poor access to ECV **Option**: Midwives performing ECV

Comparison: Care delivered by other cadres or no care

Setting: Community/primary health care settings in LMICs with poor

access to health professionals

Recommendation	We recommend against the option	We suggest considering the option in the context of rigorous research	We recommend the option
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	We suggest considering the option in the context of rigorous research. We suggest evaluating this intervention where midwives are already an established cadre and where a well-functioning referral system is in place or can be put in place.		
Justification	There is insufficient evidence on the effectiveness of midwives performing external cephalic version and it has the potential to cause harm. However, this intervention is probably acceptable, is probably feasible and may reduce inequalities by extending care to underserved populations.		
Implementation considerations	- Not applicable.		
Monitoring and evaluation			
Research priorities			