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Name:			
Hospital Number:	Patient Addressograph Here		
Date of Birth:			
Dear			
Congratulations on the birth of your baby on			
Your baby was delivered by caesarean section because:			
☐ There were no complications with the operation			
☐ There were some complications:			
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Some mothers are worried that having a caesarean section means that they will be unable to give birth naturally			
in the future. This is often not the case. 3 out of 4 women who plan a vaginal birth in their next pregnancy will			
have a vaginal birth.			
After your caesarean section today, we think that:			
☐ It is safe to try for a vaginal delivery in future pregnancies.			
☐ We would advise delivery by caesarean section			
in future because:			
Other advice for future includes:			
In your next pregnancy, you will be seen by a specialist doctor as well as your midwife who will discuss your options and any concerns you may have.			
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You can get further information about birth choices from: www.rcog.org.uk → patients → patient information leaflets → Birth after previous caesarean section.			
www.caesarean.org.uk			
Signed: Print name:			
Job title: Date:			

TOP COPY TO PATIENT

MIDDLE COPY IN NOTES.

BOTTOM COPY TO GP