

## Multi professional consultant-level practitioner Antonio Sierra – Consultant Midwife (pronouns: he/him)

**Antonio is a Consultant Midwife for normal births at West Hertfordshire Hospitals NHS Trust.**



Antonio is an experienced registered midwife. In becoming a Consultant Midwife, Antonio organised his own development, with support and guidance from clinical and academic colleagues. He has completed a Masters degree in Midwifery Practice, a Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Education and is a graduate of the NHS Leadership academy. He has been in a Consultant Midwifery role for over 3 years.

As a Consultant Midwife for normal birth, Antonio specialises in midwifery-led care, VBAC (Vaginal Birth After Caesarean) and Birth Options. Place of Birth and Mode of Birth consultations are at the core of his discussions with women and birthing people, as well as all members of the multidisciplinary team.

Antonio provides clinical leadership and restorative clinical supervision within his hospital Trust; he is part of the Senior Management Midwifery Team, holding clinical, operational and strategic responsibilities.

He has overall divisional responsibility on Clinical Midwifery Education and leads on Better Births, with the support of colleagues. Antonio is involved in the education and training of students and staff in the clinical environment; he is part of the Training Faculty and teaches on various elements related to midwifery, obstetrics and neonatal subjects. He is also a visiting lecturer at University of Hertfordshire, as well as a qualified PMA (Professional Midwifery Advocate).

“As a Consultant Midwife, I support the Senior Midwifery and Obstetric teams to improve the quality of care across maternity services by clinical expertise, education, research and service planning.”

Antonio participates in and contributes to investigations, audits and quality improvement projects within the Women's and Children's Department. He has recently completed a HEE/ICA (Integrated Clinical Academic) Pre-Doctoral Programme and has recently started to participate in delivering research programmes at his Trust. He plans to embark in a PhD in the near future.

Antonio most enjoys the care delivery part of his role and likes being able to follow personalised advice to service users attending his clinic, offering continuity during the childbearing period where possible. He is passionate about being an advocate for staff, service users and families. He highlights the importance of collaborating with the midwifery and obstetric team and wider multidisciplinary team to unlock barriers to improve service delivery and patient care, to ultimately achieve safer care.



#### JOB ROLES FOR CLINICAL PILLAR

**Expert clinical practice in all areas of midwifery (antenatal, intrapartum, postnatal in hospital and out of hospital settings)**

**Running VBAC and Birth Options clinics**

**Birth planning**

**Clinical support**



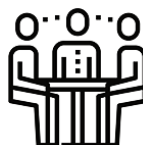
#### JOB ROLES FOR LEADERSHIP PILLAR

**Senior Management Team member**

**Attending regional Clinical & Local Maternity & Neonatal System networks**

**On-call and Bleep Holder responsibilities**

**Supports in implementation of quality and safety initiatives**



#### JOB ROLES FOR EDUCATION PILLAR

**Lead for clinical education in maternity**

**Teaching on maternity, obstetrics and neonatal subjects**

**Supporting delivery of training packages**

**Link Lecturer**



#### JOB ROLES FOR RESEARCH PILLAR

**Leading Implementation of research projects in practice**

**Auditing**

**Quality improvement projects**

**Aspiring PhD student**

### CLINICAL

### LEADERSHIP

### EDUCATION

### RESEARCH



#### JOB ROLES FOR CONSULTANCY

**Review of urgent clinical cases**

**Specialist in normal and low risk births, VBAC, Birth Options**

**Escalation and on-call duties, including managerial and strategic responsibilities**

### CONSULTANCY

**Antonio works across the five pillars of multi professional consultant-level practice**