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All4Maternity Midwife Leaders Anna and Sheena Byrom selected as Executive Sponsors for ICM Midwife Leaders Programme

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Midwives Dr. Anna Byrom and Sheena Byrom OBE

All4Maternity are delighted to share some positive news with you all, Anna and Sheena Byrom, mother and daughter midwife leaders, educators, and co-founders of All4Maternity have been accepted as Executive Sponsors for the International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) Midwife Leaders Programme, supporting the next generation of incredible midwifery leaders from across the globe.

What is the ICM Midwife Leaders Programme?

The programme is concerned with nurturing, inspiring, and empowering midwives to step into leadership roles where they can truly make a difference. It gives midwives the space, support, and opportunities to grow as leaders, influence policy, and drive the positive changes that are so urgently needed in maternity care around the world.
Anna and Sheena are honoured to be part of this important global initiative. As experienced midwives and passionate champions for their profession, it's a huge privilege for them to be able to stand alongside others to support and encourage the next generation of midwifery leaders.

Why does this matter?

Midwives save lives, improve the health and well-being of women and newborns, and they provide compassionate, evidence-based care that optimises families health and strengthens communities. And yet so many face barriers when it comes to leadership, influence, and being part of the conversations that shape health systems. Anna and Sheena believe that this needs to change. Through this programme, midwives will be mentored, encouraged, and connected with others across the world. Sheena says: *"Together, we can help to strengthen midwifery leadership at every level, from local communities to global platforms, building a strong, confident, and united midwifery voice".*

What this means to Anna and Sheena

This opportunity feels like a natural extension of everything they've worked for with All4Maternity. Their journey as a mother and daughter midwife team has always been about collaboration, compassion, and creating opportunities to for others to grow. Individually and together they've had the privilege of working and leading across higher education, midwifery practice, and maternity service provision – to publish academic journals that have a global reach and to share knowledge at every opportunity. They are now ready to bring that experience to this global programme. They're passionate about helping midwives develop the confidence, skills, and networks they need to lead, influence, and create real, lasting change.

Anna and Sheena feel incredibly privileged to give back to a profession that has shaped their lives and to play a small part in amplifying the voices of those leading the way for the future of midwifery. They are honoured to support the incredible midwife leaders embarking on this journey and cannot wait to see the transformational impact they will have.
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