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Call for more training to cut baby deaths

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URGENT training of front-line NHS staff is needed to save more babies' lives, a report warns today.

Many cases of stillbirth and baby injury are avoidable with better maternity staff according to research by charity Baby Lifeline.

Around 665,000 babies are born in England a year, with about 3,000 stillbirths.

But Baby Lifeline said just 7.9% of trusts have adopted guidelines NHS England says could prevent around 600 stillbirths a year.

Founder Judy Ledger said: "Mums and babies still needlessly die or suffer serious injury, because of a lack of relevant training."