Restoring Timely Maternal-Fetal Care in the Kansas City Metropolitan Area

Facility Type: Moderate to High-Risk MFM

Geography: Urban

The Challenge

Limited Access: Patients experienced significant delays due to a shortage of available sonography appointments.

Staffing Issues: Previous solutions lacked adaptability and flexibility, creating care bottlenecks and growing patient dissatisfaction.

Operational Inefficiencies: Long exam times, inconsistent workflows, and underutilized space suppressed daily patient volumes and overwhelmed staff.

Unpredictable Quality: Recruiting and retaining specialized MFM sonographers proved difficult, leaving gaps in expertise and consistent care delivery.

The BB Imaging Solution

Expert Staffing: Onboarding three highly experienced fetal-echo-certified sonographers within 7 days, quickly and seamlessly integrating with the existing care team.

Operational Enhancements: Collaborating with leadership to fine-tune scheduling templates, reduce individual scan times without compromising quality, and optimize room utilization to accommodate more patients each day.

Quality Assurance: Ensuring consistent diagnostic excellence and supporting continuous clinical development by applying rigorous QA processes.

Results

Increased Volume & Access: Patient volumes surged, reflecting a 66% increase in care access through strategic time management and reduced scheduling gaps.

Opportunity for Additional Births: An increase of approximately 100 obstetric patients annually presents the potential for up to 100 additional deliveries tied to the hospital.

Strengthened Relationships: Referring providers and patients noted the improvements, including more timely access to appointments and consistent care quality.

Clinic-Wide Transformation: With unnecessary clinical and administrative burdens lifted, the care team refocused on delivering high-quality, patient-centered care.

Total Coverage & Reliability: BB Imaging fulfilled 100% of staffing requests as outlined in the scope of work. Additionally, during a transitional period in March and severe storms in May, the team maintained uninterrupted service with no gaps in coverage.

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