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Maternal and perinatal outcomes by planned place of birth among women with low-risk pregnancies in high-income countries: A systematic review and meta-analysis

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Highlights

- The review compared studies of births planned in hospital, birth centres and at home
- A specific instrument appraised quality of evidence in research on birth setting
- Studies varied in design, location, context and definition of key terms
- High quality studies found no statistically significant difference in infant mortality by setting
- Women have higher odds of normal vaginal birth at home or in birth centres

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