Women eligible for elective or ultrasound indicated cerclage 12-21 + 6/40 as per RCOG guideline

Exclusion criteria

Women eligible and consenting to be part of COTS

Randomisation

Intervention non-braided monofilament suture (Ethilon)

Control braided/multifilament suture (Mersilene)

Routine follow up

Primary outcome

Live birth

Secondary outcomes

median gestation at deliver, mode of delivery, length of median stay in neonatal unit, median time ventilated, length of hospitalisation for paediatric reasons