

Case History 2

Topic: A memorable Anaesthetic experience

This incidence occurred during my training as a Nurse Anaesthetist. We were almost at the final phase of our course, when we were posted to the provinces for practical experience in the year 2007. My team of three students were posted to the Pro Government Hospital in the southern province of Freetown.

The incidence involved a pregnant lady who came in for an emergency caesarean section due to prolonged labour. The patient a young lady of about 18 years – Primigravida came in for admission at about 11am on that Saturday with history of labour pain of over 24 hours.

After having been seen by the Surgeon and indicated Caesarean Section as line of treatment due to cephalo pelvic disproportion (CPD), we as nurse anaesthet4(phaDC BT1 0 0 1 90.024 53

beating regularly and then patient's respiration gradually returned to normal. At this stage, the Surgeon having seen some life on patient, started making fun of us, but to be candid, it was a frightening experience. Patient surgery was successful and baby also survived.

But what I want to say at this junction is that I am presently working now with that same Surgeon that I got this experience from and keeps reminding me of it whenever I am about to give a Spinal anaesthesia.