ACUTE UTERINE INVERSION
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Acute inversion is a rare but serious obstetric emergency. Women can rapidly develop profound shock which can prove fatal. A young multiparous woman was rushed to the obstetric unit of the hospital with history of haven delivered at home under the supervision of her husband a few hours before presenting with a mass protruding from the vagina and associated severe vaginal bleeding. On examination, she was noticed to have complete uterine inversion. This was manually replaced immediately and she was further resuscitated with intravenous fluids, analgesics, uterotonic agents, antibiotics and 3 pints of blood. She made uneventful recovery and she was discharged from hospital after three days.

The management of acute uterine inversion should be incorporated into skills and drills training. As it is a rare condition, the precise incidence is unknown. A strong clinical suspicion and prompt intervention in the form of immediate replacement of the uterus, blood transfusion, intravenous fluids with the use of broad spectrum antibiotics can be life-saving.