

In her feature article, Jo Best highlights the role of videoconferencing and next generation technology on surgery in war zones and low-resources countries but raise concerns about patients' privacy with live footage ending up on the internet. Medical aid films (Registered charity 1121578) was founded 15 years to provide free access on-line training videos and animations in women and child-care ([www.medicalaidfilms.org](http://www.medicalaidfilms.org)). Most of our films were filmed in both UK and Sub-Saharan African countries and with full consent from the patient and the operating team and approval by the local hospital administration. During filming every precaution is take to avoid shots of faces in the operating theatre and when it happened, these were removed during editing.

There are other practical issues regarding training for caesarean section, in particular when training medical officers who in general do not have a medical degree. Elective caesarean sections are relatively easy to perform and can be arranged to fit an IT session. The main issue here is to identify the medical condition that required a caesarean delivery and may require ultrasound imaging expertise, which is often not available outside big cities (Greenwold et al). By contrast, emergency caesarean sections are often technically more complicated. As they are unpredictable, they do not provide the set-up for training and make remote technical support difficult. In addition, the lack of access to antibiotics, blood transfusion, IV fluid, uterotonics and maternal and neonatal intensive care leads to a higher rate of post-operative perinatal morbidity and mortality.

MAF has now produced over xx films many of which have been translated in xx different languages including a film suite on caesarean section which are among the most downloaded on u-tube platform. All our films are scripted by international experts and adapted to local needs and restrictions (Stark et al). Our films can be used for training by a local trainer without or without live on-line support such as zoom or Microsoft team and is therefore sustainable and available on line to all.

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