**Table 2.** Demographic characteristics of professional participants in round 1 and 2 of the Delphi process

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|  | Round 1 (n=98) | Round 2 (n=74) |
| Stakeholder profession | N (%) | N (%) |
| Midwives | 33 (33.7) | 25 (33.8) |
| Midwifery care assistants | 5 (5.1) | 2 (2.7) |
| O&G doctors | 38 (38.8) | 28 (37.8) |
| Anaesthetists | 5 (5.1) | 5 (6.8) |
| General practitioners | 5 (5.1) | 5 (6.8) |
| Medico-legal experts | 1 (1.0) | 1 (1.4) |
| Researchers | 5 (5.1) | 2 (2.7) |
| Others | 6 (6.1) | 6 (8.1) |
| O&G doctor level | N (%) | N (%) |
| Consultants | 20 (20.4) | 16 (21.6) |
| Specialty doctors | 5 (5.1) | 3 (4.1) |
| Clinical fellows | 5 (5.1) | 2 (2.7) |
| Trainees | 8 (8.2) | 7 (9.5) |
| Years held in position | N (%) | N (%) |
| <5 years | 24 (24.5) | 18 (24.3) |
| 5-10 years | 26 (26.5) | 20 (27.0) |
| 11-20 years | 28 (28.6) | 19 (25.7) |
| >20 years | 20 (20.4) | 17 (23.0) |