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O'Brien has more than 30 years of experience providing obstetrical care. His first project at Women and Infants' Hospital of Rhode Island was to develop and implement a comprehensive, four-tiered, hospital wide process to eliminate elective early term deliveries. This process has now been successfully adopted across all Care New England hospitals. O'Brien has also worked with the hospital's quality and risk departments to build and implement an obstetrical dashboard for the system and create annual, incentivized, provider education projects on pertinent obstetrical topics to mitigate risk. He has integrated simulation into the provision of OB patient care, including strategies to sustain teamwork training.

O'Brien's work has focused on the use of simulation to refine the multidisciplinary massive transfusion protocol and a standardized approach to obstetrical hemorrhage. He also helped develop an obstetrical rapid response team and a multidisciplinary shoulder dystocia simulation that included more than 300 providers.