FetaLink is a maternal and fetal monitoring system that facilitates the flow of data from medical devices in a manner that supports display needs of clinicians in the acute and ambulatory settings. Finalizing a fetal monitoring episode ensures the documentation occurs on the correct FIN.
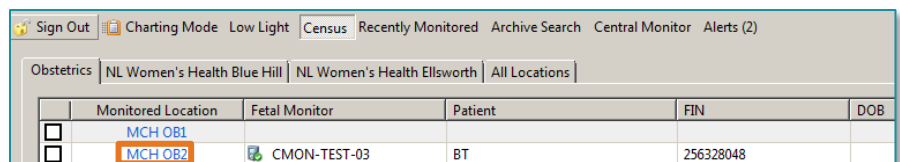
Finalizing a Fetal Monitoring Episode

Your patient's fetal monitoring episode is ready to be finalized when monitoring is complete and any necessary annotations are documented on the fetal waveform.

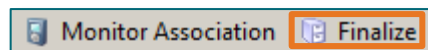**STEP 1:**   Sign in to FetaLink and access the single patient view.

STEP 2:   Click **Census** view.

- Choose the blue hyperlink that corresponds with your patient's room, bed, or hold location.
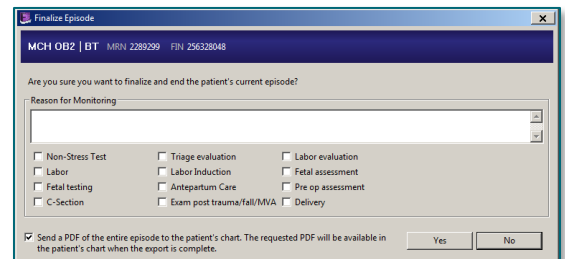

STEP 3:   Select **Finalize**.

STEP 4:   If not entered previously, document your patient's reason for monitoring. Click **YES** to disassociate your patient from the fetal monitor and finalize the episode.

- The window closes, returning to the Census View and the patient is no longer listed.

NOTE: When a patient is being transferred, all annotations need to be completed and finalization needs to begin as soon as possible. Finalizing a Fetal Monitoring episode can take a while to complete based on the length of the monitoring episode. Once completed the receiving NLH facility will be able to view the finalized documentation.

NOTE: When a patient returns for another fetal monitoring episode and the previous one hasn't been finalized, the current fetal monitoring episode may be captured on the previous FIN.

Viewing Status of Fetal Monitoring Episode

Any patient still associated to a monitor will display on the Census View.

STEP 1:   Select **Recently Monitored** from the toolbar.
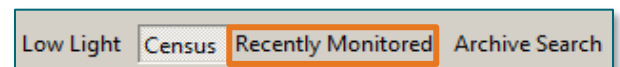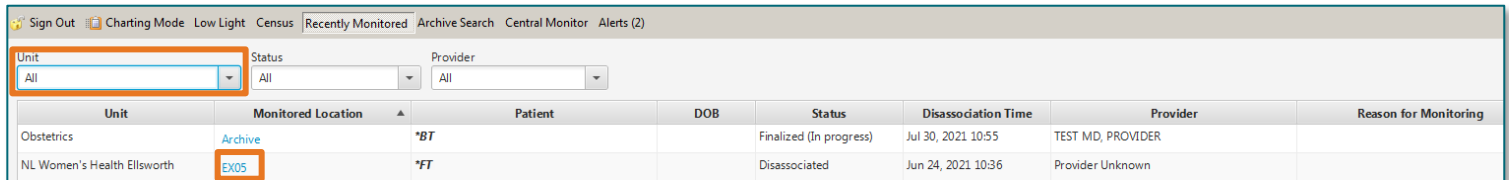
STEP 2:   All patients who have been monitored within the past 72 hours will display.

- If all units for your location are displaying, your unit can be selected from the drop down.

- The status will display and where the finalized strip can be found.

- If a strip hasn't been finalized and has only been disassociated, finalization can occur from this location by selecting the **Monitored Location** hyperlink for the patient.

- The chart will open, select **Finalize**.