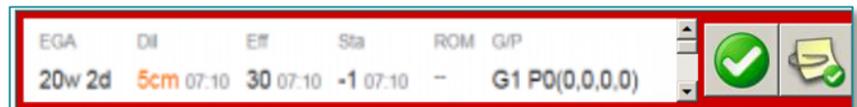**FetaLink is a maternal and fetal monitoring system that facilitates the flow of data from medical devices in a manner that supports display needs of clinicians in the acute and ambulatory settings. Alerts for various clinical events may occur and responding to these in a timely manner will aid in patient care.**

Responding to Alerts

➢ Alert parameters define the range of patient data, outside of which an alert will be triggered.

➢ When the alert fires, the patient chart border will change to red, indicating there is an alert.

- The item causing the alert will display with a pink background, and causes an auditory bell sounding the alert.

➢ The element/component that is alarming is highlighted in pink with a red triangle. There will be a red triangle in the annotation center.

➢ To acknowledge or annotate an alert, must be signed into FetaLink.

- An indication that not signed in, is the green circle with the checkmark or the acknowledge folder icon is not visible. When logged in, this will illuminate.

➢ Click the green circle icon to acknowledge the alert without making an annotation.

➢ Clicking the paper with the paper clip icon, will allow acknowledging the alert and requires an annotation (this is the recommended workflow).

➢ There are graph bars to indicate the signal strength.

➢ A red banner and bars indicate a signal strength alert.

➢ An indicator that the leads may need to be adjusted is the **Heart Coincidence Alert**. The alert is indicated by a waveform with a yellow triangle.
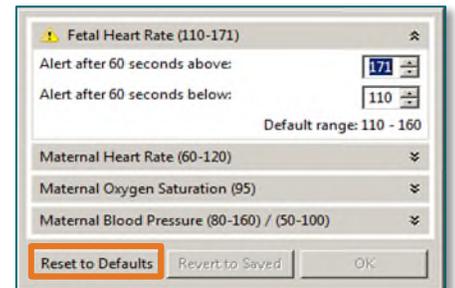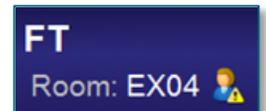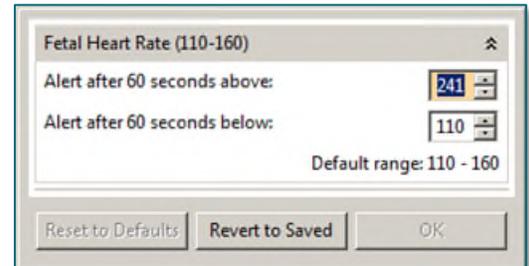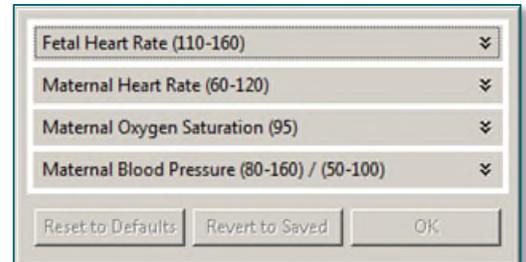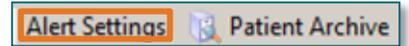
➢ There may be more than one alert at a time on a patient.

➢ The border color order for multiple alerts is:

- Patient alert will be in red.
- Time Out of Sync is displayed in orange.
- Device Disconnected is in yellow.
- Low Signal Quality is displayed in gray.

Patient Specific Alert Parameters

➢ Select **Alert Settings** from the toolbar in the patient chart.

➢ This will allow setting alert parameters that are specific to the patient.

➢ Alerts that can be adjusted are:

- Fetal Heart Parameters

- Maternal Heart Rate Parameters

- Maternal O2 Saturation Parameters

- Maternal Blood Pressure Parameters

- If attempting to set a range that is outside the system allowable range, the cell will turn yellow and will not allow the change to be saved.

- Enter the new desired parameter and select **OK**.

- A **Patients Alert** icon will display beside the room number to indicate the patient now has alert specific parameter(s) set.

  - The icon will only display on the single patient view, it does not display on the central monitor view.

- To remove the patient level alerting, click the **Alert Settings** icon.

- Select **Reset to Default** to remove the patient level alerting.

NOTE: The setting is patient and monitor specific. If patient specific levels are set, they will revert to the default when the patient is disassociated from the monitor for any reason.

For questions regarding process and/or policies, please contact your unit's Clinical Educator. For questions regarding workflow, please place a ticket to Health Informatics. For any other questions please contact the Customer Support Center at: 207-973-7728 or 1-888-827-7728.