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My colleagues and I work in the labour and delivery unit and they are definitely worth celebrating! Three words... PANDEMIC BABY BOOM!! To say we've been busting at the seams is an understatement. Throughout this pandemic, every single one of these nurses came into work with a positive attitude and a **hidden** smile on their faces. This was not and is not an easy task considering we've had an increase in patients, complications and personal/work related stress caused by the pandemic. They have continuously provided exceptional care and are the most supportive group of nurses who I feel sooo lucky to work with. I feel that labour and delivery units are generally underrated. We are a level 3 high acuity unit with our own obstetrical emergency department. We work HARD. We have faced challenges related to vaccine rollout, understaffing, lack of material/instruments and most importantly NOT ENOUGH COFFEE, but they have continued to push through! In my opinion, they are what make labour and delivery "a fun place to work". I would LOVE to celebrate their hard work and show them just how much they are appreciated. One of our amazing residents snapped this picture of my colleagues for his instagram page!