





Neonatal Work Stream Plan 5 – Supporting Bereavement and Palliative Care

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<p>7.1 Clinical care decisions, including end-of-life decisions, are made by experienced staff in partnership with the parents and discussions held in an appropriate setting</p> <p>7.2 Pathways to ensure high quality investigations and feedback to families from hospital to home.</p> <p>7.3 Choices available for palliative care</p>	 <p>Audit-of-Bereavement-Care-Provision-in-</p> <p>Network palliative care pathway in place</p>  <p>emnodn-care-pathway-for-unborn-child-o</p>	<p>Local neonatal death guideline in place</p> <p>Named nursing team identified to give continuity of care for palliative care babies.</p> <p>Bereavement champions identified for neonatal units</p> <p>SANDS Leaflet pack to be given to all women unless declined.</p> <p>Palliative care Pathway training for staff</p>		
<p>7.4 All neonatal deaths are investigated at a local level using a standardised framework</p>		<p>Perinatal mortality meetings to review deaths 3 monthly.</p> <p>Perinatal mortality tool to be used</p>		





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	 MBRRACE-UK Intrapartum Confider  Role of parents in reviews.pdf	and minutes available. Perinatal mortality tool embedded into this plan. Data available embedded into work stream plan Neonatal Representative at safety collaborative meeting		
7.5 Case reviews evident and lessons to be learnt.		Neonatal representation at the Neonatal Network Clinical Governance meetings. Named neonatal representation at network perinatal mortality meetings.	Minutes available and embedded into this plan	
7.6 Care when complications arise		Named key worker/team to care for family throughout the journey.		

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7.7 Multi-professional collaboration.	 Guide-to-Debriefing-Sessions-in-NICU.pdf	Bereavement staff training on planned staff development days. Joint education sessions and meetings with obstetric team. Debriefing sessions evident for staff		
7.8 Clear access to support services in the community and regular follow up.	 Sands Stillbirth and neonatal death charit  Support for grandparents after a  Support for siblings after the death of a t	SANDS & PANDAS (pre & postnatal depression anxiety support) groups. Perinatal mental health Steps2change Consultant appointment follow up. Birth Afterthoughts Community support for bereaved families.	Leaflets for Counselling services available embedded into this plan	



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