

Ward 1C

PDA Stent Discharge Advice

Information for parents and carers

Introduction

Your nurse will discuss any specific advice before you leave, please do not hesitate to ask any questions.

The following arrangements will be made for you, by your nurse:

Community nurses to visit twice a week to check your baby's oxygen saturation levels.

Clinic follow-up appointment 6-8 weeks

Referral to your health visitor & information to your GP

Copy of your discharge letter will be sent to your local Paediatrician

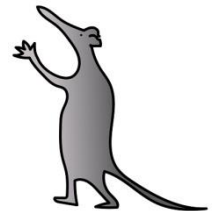
Local Paediatrician Name: _____

Your baby will have been discharged home on Aspirin. It is important that your baby has this medication at roughly the same time every day, either during or after feeds. You will be shown how best to measure and give this to your baby along with any other medications they may need. Please ensure you store all medications safely.

If you have any further questions once you get home, please telephone the Cardiac Nurse Specialists for further advice.

These are signs for you to look out for at home:

- Increased sleeping, irritability or crying
- Going off feeds.....minimum 120mls/kg per day
- Not as many wet nappies as usual
- Diarrhoea and vomiting, or persistent vomiting
- Baby is working harder with his/her breathing
- Mild changes in baby's skin colour
- Baby becoming unusually sweaty



Paediatric Cardiac Nurse Specialists: 0151 252 5291 (Mon-Fri 08:30-16:30).

Out of hours Ward 1C: 0151 252 5418 Alder Hey main number: 0151 228 4811.

For further information see link for BLS updates:

<https://www.treasurehuntadventurepacks.com/offers/T6tkKUwU>

Remember you know your baby best, if you are worried about your baby you must take him/her to your LOCAL A&E to be assessed

When to call 999:

Persistent grunting, noisy breathing and/or struggling to breathe

- Floppy and unresponsive
- Prolonged changes in your baby's skin colour: more blue/grey, cool to touch

This leaflet only gives general information. You must always discuss the individual treatment of your child with the appropriate member of staff. Do not rely on this leaflet alone for information about your child's treatment.

This information can be made available in other languages and formats if requested.

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