

Care Pathway For Management of Intrauterine Death and Stillbirth Over 24 weeks Gestation.

(Please use this Pathway in conjunction with the Policy for the Management of Fetal Loss, Still Birth and Neonatal Death)





	Gravida Parity
	Gestation
Addressograph	

Part 1: to be completed prior to Birth of Baby

Questions/Documentation to be completed	Yes/No	Signature	Date
1st USS Performed to confirm no fetal heart.			
Name of Clinician			
DateTime			
2 nd USS Performed to confirm no fetal heart.			
Name of Clinician			
DateTime			
Parents Sensitively told of Baby's death in a dignified			
manner in a private area if possible with support from			
Maternity Staff.			
Consultant on call informed.			
Name of on-call Consultant			
Discuss plan of care with parents and clear plan of care			
documented in notes by Consultant.			
Name of Consultant/Senior Registrar			
Consider taking bloods prior to readmission:			
FBC			
Coagulation Screen			
U+E			
CRP			
Group and Save Inform Labour Ward Co-ordinator and arrange re-admission			
in 48hours			
Provide contact numbers for CDS			
Inform parents of time and place to return following first			
stage management if they wish to return home.			
Offer option of staying on ward or going home and			
returning.			
Time:			
Date:			
Place:			
Medication Chart to be completed in line with stated			
regime to include;			
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Mifepristone 200mg (48 hours pre admission)			
Misoprostol as regime			
Analgesia			
Anti-emetics			
Carbergoline 1g			
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Misoprostol Regime	
20 - 26+6 weeks	
Misoprostol: 100mcg to be given orally or vaginally 6 for a total of 4 doses. (Decision on route of adminis to be made following discussion with the woman	
If the first dose does not lead to effective contractions the subsequent dose can be increased to 200mcg.	s, then
The maximum dose should not exceed 800m 24hrs.	cg in
Over 27 weeks.	
Misoprostol: 50mcg orally or vaginally every 4 hours 6 doses (Decision on route of administration to be following discussion with the woman)	· I
If the first dose does not lead to effective contractions the subsequent dose can be increased to 100mcg.	s, then
The maximum dose should not exceed 600m 24hrs.	cg in
 If unsuccessful, repeat the cycle with misoprostol at hours after discussion with the consultant obstetricial 	
 Monitor hourly- uterine contractions, pulse, temper BP and symptoms 	rature,
 Give 6 hourly paracetamol 1gm (to control material temperature) 	aternal
Misoprostol is available only as 200mcg ta Therefore:	blets.
 100mcg: break the tablet in half down the score lin the tablet cutter and give orally or vaginally 	e with
 50mcg: Either dissolve the 200mcg tablet in 20ml of and give 5ml (drawn up in an oral syringe) to be taken by the patient. 	
Alternatively, this can be carefully divided into 4 witablet cutter if to be given vaginally. Discard any letablet or solution.	
Midwives / Doctors who are, or may become pre should not handle the crushed or broken tablets.	-



For women with previous caesarean section		
A discussion of the safety and benefits of induction of		
labour should be undertaken by Consultant Obstetrician		
• Mifepristone can be used alone to increase the chance of labour significantly within 72 hours (avoiding the use of		
prostaglandin) - 600mg daily for 2 consecutive days (BNF)		
Consider Propess Pessary for second part of induction of labour		
Misoprostol can be used for induction of labour in women		
with a single previous LSCS after discussion with		
Consultant Obstetrician		
Avoid doubling of dose of misoprostol		
If appropriate discuss Lactation, Caution should be taken		
if history of pre-eclampsia when prescribing Carbergoline.		
Discuss items parents may wish to bring for Baby such as		
clothing, blankets etc if they wish.		
If appropriate discuss further investigations and options of		
Post Mortem.		
Provide Post Mortem Information Booklet Provide SANDS Parents Support Book and Patient		
Information Booklet		
If Congenital Anomaly suspected please refer to CARIS at		
Caris@SafehavenMailbox@wales.nhs.uk and include		
mothers name, mother's date of birth, mother's NHS		
number and the suspected diagnosis.		
Offer Specialist Bereavement Midwife details if parents		
wish to contact		

Any Further Information Required:



Part 2: to be completed on admission to Labour Ward

Please Commence Stillbirth/IUD Partogram in Active Labour

Questions/Documentation to Be Completed	Yes/NO	Signature	Date
Parents greeted by Named Midwife and introductions made			
Midwife Orientates woman and family to the surroundings and			
ward.			
Accompanies parents to allocated room and shows where			
call bell is situated			
Ensure parents are cared for in a room that was appropriate			
to their needs away from other crying babies if possible			
Review by Consultant on call or Senior Registrar to discuss			
care plan and answer any questions parents may have.			
Review by Anaesthetist to discuss analgesia options			
Midwife to commence appropriate Care Bundles eg Waterlow,			
MEWS, PVC insertion, VTE score.			
Admission Bloods as discussed with Obstetric and			
Anaesthetic Team including FBC, Coagulation, Group and			
Save. (Please review the Blood Investigation Pathway)			
Discuss with Parents:			
Do parents wish to see or hold baby.			
Discuss how the baby may appear.			
Discuss use of guiddle set and parents apending time with			
Discuss use of cuddle cot and parents spending time with			
baby			
Discuss Memory Making and options available			
Discuss Welffory Waking and options available			
Discuss Memory Box and provide if parents wish			
Advise Parents that can change their mind at any given time			
on any decisions made			
Has the initial post mortem discussion has taken place and			
information booklet given and if have they received SANDS			
Parents Support Book. Offer if not given previously.			
Discussion of post mortem by appropriately trained staff.			
If no Post Mortem please discuss placental histology.			
Do not give time scale for decision for PM - parents can			
change their mind at any time.			
Name of staff who has discussion:			
Discussion regarding funeral arrangements and advise that			
they will be responsible for arranging funeral and will have to			
register their Baby's death.			
Guidance can be provided by Bereavement Midwife upon			
discharge if required.			
If the suspected cause of fetal demise is possibly caused by a			
placental abruption please consider a ROTEM test prior to			
delivery.			
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Commence Still Birth/IUD Partogram once in active labour			





Name	Gestation	Gravida	Para
Labour induced/spontaneous (please circle)	Time of onset of labour	Time of spontaneo	us membrane rupture/ARM
Birth partner	Birth preferences		
Significant medical or obstetric history			Blood group

Н	ours	1	. 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	Time												
Liquor = Clear/Mec/Ni	I	•	•					,	•		•		
Contractions	5												
per 10 minutes	4												
Mild (W)	3												
Mod (M)	2												
Strong (S)	1												
Syntocinon Infusion													
5ths Palpable				1		_							
Cervix (cm)	10												
plot •	9												
p.c.	8												
Descent of head	7												
plot X	6												
-2	5												
-1	4												
0	3												
+1	2												
+2	1												
Fetal position													



Maternal	Hours	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Observations	Time												
Pulse	rate (x)												
	180												
	170												
	160												
	150												
	140												
BP 4 hourly	130												
unless clinically	120												
indicated more	110												
frequently	100												
	90												
	80												
	70												
	60												
	50												
	40												
Respiratory rate													
Oxygen saturations	;												
Maternal temperat	ure ⁰ C												
TOTAL MEOWS 4 h	ourly												
Drugs given/oral/IV	/ fluids												
Urine output													
Urine dipstick													
Pressure areas che	cked												
Signature (Initial)													



Remember to commence a fluid balance chart when appropriate and complete MEOWS chart to assess score and appropriate management

Time of birth	Mode of birth	Time of cord clamping	Time of placenta								
Estimated blood loss	Birthweight	Centile									
Any Deviations please comment below:											

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Investigations

All cases	<u>Unexplained</u> IUD	Specific to cause		
FBC, G&S	CRP;	Placental abruption –		
Coagulation screen including	TORCH, Parvo virus,	Placental histology, thrombophilia screen.		
fibrinogen;	Rubella, Syphilis	Chorioamnionitis		
Kleihauer;	(particularly in	Infection screen including blood cultures,		
Fetal post-mortem (full / limited);	presence of	placental swab, swabs from baby.		
Cytogenetic analysis in relevant	polyhydramnios and/or	If IUGR suspected		
cases;	fetal hydrops);	Lupus-anticoagulant;		
Placental Histology – Sent to	Thyroid Function	Anticardiolipin antibodies;		
UHW	Tests;	Factor V Leiden Prothrombin gene		
Person who delivers the baby	Placental swab for	mutation;		
should document:	microbiology;	*Repeat thrombophilia and APLA screen 6		
 degree of maceration of 	Placental Histology –	weeks post delivery;		
skin	Sent to UHW ;	Placental Histology;		
 any obvious external 	HbA1c;	If h/o itching or jaundice		
abnormality of features or	MSSU, HVS or LVS.	LFT and bile acid.		
limbs		Parental karyotyping		
 baby's weight and overall 	* Blood for anti-	Indicated if:		
impression -	platelet antibodies	- fetal unbalanced translocation;		
IUGR/normal/macrosomia	only required if	- other fetal aneuploidy, e.g. 45X;		
gender and name given	autoimmune	- fetal genetic testing fails and history;		
by parents, if known;		- Suggestive of aneuploidy (fetal		
Fetal anomaly	suspected *	abnormality on post-mortem, previous		
CARIS form to be completed.		unexplained IUFD, recurrent miscarriage).		
Fetal anomaly	thrombocytopenia suspected *	- Suggestive of aneuploidy (fetal abnormality on post-mortem, previous		

- An abnormal result might not be linked to the IUFD but rather be simply an incidental finding
- Comprehensive investigation can be important even though one cause is particularly suspected
- Parents should be advised that no specific cause is found in almost half of stillbirths
- Parents should be advised that when a cause is found it can crucially influence care in a future pregnancy

<u>NB:</u> An abnormal test result is not necessarily related to the IUFD; correlation between blood tests and post-mortem examination should be sought. Further tests might be indicated following the results of the post-mortem examination.



Investigations

All Cases

FBC – Purple bottle Coagulation and Fibrinogen – Blue Bottle Group and Save – Pink Bottle

Kleihaur - Pink

Placental Histology sent to Cardiff in a white tub with Histology form completed with all clinical information and addresses to Cardiff.

If Fetal anomaly please complete CARIS card.

IUGR or below 10th centile

Thrombophilia Screen – 2 purple bottles, 6 Blue Bottles, 1 Gold Bottle TORCH/Parvovirus – Gold Bottle Lupus- 2 Blue Bottles Factor V Leiden – Purple Anti- CardioLipin Antibodies – Gold Bottle

Infection

Blood Cultures – Blood Culture Bottles CRP – Yellow HVS- Black Charcoal Swab Placental Swabs (fetal and maternal) – Black Charcoal Swabs

Hydrops

Anti Ro/La – Gold Bottle Parvovirus – Gold Anti Red Cell Antibodies – 2 Purple Bottles

Hypertension/PET

PCR, U + E, LFT, Urate – Yellow Bottle Thrombophilia Screen - 2 purple bottles, 6 Blue Bottles, 1 Gold Bottle

Diabetes

HbA1c- Purple

Abruption

ThrombopIhillia Screen - 2 purple bottles, 6 Blue Bottles, 1 Gold Bottle

History of Itching or Jaundice

LFT and Bile Acids - Gold Bottle

No Obvious Cause

Bile Acid – Gold Bottle HbA1c – Purple Bottle TORCH & Parvovirus – Gold bottle Thyroid Function - Gold Bottle

Thrombophilia Screen - 2 purple bottles, 6 Blue Bottles, 1 Gold Bottles



Part 3: To Be Completed Following the Birth of the Baby

Questions/Documentation to Be Completed	Yes/no	Signature	Date
Parents offered the opportunity to see/hold their			
baby if they wish.			
Cuddle Cot/Cooling Plates used			
Discuss and offer:			
-Memory Box			
-Photographs using Digital Camera on CDS and			
Memory Card in Memory Boxes. Remember my			
Baby Photography available.			
- Please Use the Camera on CDS &			
provide the parents with the memory			
card for them to keep. If parents do not			
wish to see their baby or make			
memories, please offer to take			
photographs and hand and footprints and place in an envelope in Maternal			
Notes clearly labelled in case parents			
change their mind at a later date			
- Hand and Footprints			
- Clay Impressions			
- Ibrahim's Gift			
- Heart in my Hand			
- Towel			
- Lock of hair if possible			
- Offer Chaplaincy Blessing			
- Weight/Length of Baby (offer tape			
measure to keep.)			
- Bathing the Baby			
- Dressing the Baby			
- Offer a set of name bands to keep			
 Offer to take baby home if appropriate and liaise with Safeguarding Team 			
Family members given the opportunity to see /			
hold the baby (parents' wishes)			
Religious and cultural beliefs discussed and			
respected. Hospital Chaplin or own religious			
leader contacted to offer blessings, naming			
ceremony. Please ring switch for On Call			
Chaplaincy Team			
Does Coroner need to be informed?			
(suspicious/unusual circumstances, unsure of			
cause of death/documentation)			
If so for what reasons?			
WPAS Complete and Baby Registered as a			
Stillbirth – NHS number allocated			
Place Identity Bands with own Hospital Number			
on Baby			
Place Birth in Birth Register			
Offer Cabergoline 1mg to suppress Lactation as			
discussed previously			
Sensitively discuss Contraception and offer if			
appropriate prior to discharge home			
Doctor / Midwife to complete the stillbirth			
certificate.			
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Stillbirth Certificate - Stillbirth Certificates not to be given to parents. Certificate scanned and emailed to Deathregistrations@swansea.gov.uk . Original certificate then sent to Registry Office by recorded delivery.	
Examine the Placenta and obtain placental swabs fetal and maternal surface Ensure Placenta is placed in white pot and labelled with mother's details on the outside of pot with Histology form. Placenta to be taken to the mortuary within 8 hours of delivery.	
Complete: - Identity Bands -Birth Register - WPAS -DATIX complete and Incident Number - MBRACE Lead informed -If Congenital Anomaly suspected please refer to CARIS at Caris@SafehavenMailbox@wales.nhs.uk and include mothers name, mother's date of birth, mother's NHS number and the suspected diagnosis. If Post Mortem accepted:	
Please use new All Wales Fetal Post Mortem Consent Form that can be found in the Bereavement Drawer on CDS All Wales PM consent form completed and signed: -	
- One copy to be given to parents	
 One copy filed in maternal medical records One copy to be sent to pathology department with the baby 	
Examine placenta, take swabs for C&S. Transport to the mortuary within 8 hours of delivery. Baby can follow if parents memory making	
- Fetal Examination Form completed	
Photocopy obstetric/maternal notes and scans to go with baby in envelope to the mortuary	
Complete request form for examination of fetus from Dept of Pathology (UHW) which can be found on the Z drive: Maternity:service wide communications: Bereavement: Paediatric PM referral form. UHW will not accept transfer of baby without completion of above form	
Ensure that the Name of Person Obtaining Post Mortem Consent and is within training compliance. Database of those able to obtain Fetal Post Mortem Consent available on Z Drive.	



Discussion regarding funeral options. Burial/Cremation, Baby Gardens available for Burial.		
Funeral is funded by WGA and parents are also able to apply for £500 Grant upon registering Baby – Bereavement Midwife can support		
Discuss with Consultant postnatal blood tests that will be required (investigation blood chart within pathway). Ensure Blood Forms are written and given to the mother for 6 weeks blood test for Thrombophillia and APLA Screening.		
Cremation Form 9 signed and completed. Original to go with baby. (photocopy and place in notes) (Cremation form 9 found on CDS)		
Bounty Suppression Form .Email Bounty at <u>bereavements@bounty.com</u> to suppress contact.		
Email Bereavement Midwife to inform of Bereavement using referral form.		



<u>Transfer of Infant to Mortuary following Late Miscarriage, Medical Termination of Pregnancy,</u> Intrauterine Death or Neonatal Death

In All Cases Placenta Must be sent to Cardiff UHW Pathology Department for Histology Investigation

Placenta placed in a placenta bucket with Mums Information labels present and Histology form completed to go to Cardiff Pathology.

<u>Placenta to be refrigerated in Mortuary within 8 hours of delivery</u>. Placenta can be taken separately if parents are memory making with infant.

Ensure Infant/Fetus/Placenta have correct identifiable labels/ ID bands in situ (If NND or Stillbirth Infant/fetus will have own hospital number)

If post mortem is requested all appropriate paperwork present and antenatal notes photocopied and kept with infant at all times upon transfer. Paperwork place with infant at all times

If no post mortem requested appropriate paperwork for gestation completed including cremation forms, chosen funeral arrangements of parents' wishes or sensitive disposal if below 24 weeks gestation.

PLACENTA TO BE SENT TO CARDIFF UHW FOR HITOLOGY INVESTIGATION. MUST BE TAKEN TO MORTUARY AND SIGNED INTO THE ALLOCATED AREA BY MIDWIFE

Infant wrapped appropriately to maintain dignity and respect and placed in Cot.

Transferred to Mortuary with Midwife and porter.

If Mortuary Technician present inform of transfer between 1pm-3pm Monday-Friday. If out of these hours please document all information in the register held in the allocated storage area.

On arrival the porter will direct you to the allocated area where you will place the infant. Please complete the Register situated within the allocated Storage area with all relevant details.

Place details on white board on the front of allocated area and state if Post Mortem requested



Examination of Baby Examination of Baby if Appropriate

Examination of Baby and Placenta if Appropriate

Weight	
Head Circumference	
Maceration present	
Hands and Fingers Normal/Abnormal Anything of significance to note	
Feet Normal/Abnormal Anything of significance to note	
Genitalia Female/Male Anus- Normal/Imperforate/Other Anything of any significance to note in relation to genitalia	
Placenta Anything significant in relation to Placenta to note (Offensive, membranes complete, any noticeable infarctions) Anything significant in relation to cord to note (True Knots, number of vessels present)	
Any Further Relevant Information to note	



Certificate of stillbirth

Cremation 9 introduced in 2009

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Please complete this form in full, if a part does not apply enter 'N/A'.	_
Part 1 The stillborn child	
Full name of child or description	
	Sex Date of
stillbirth	Jale of
☐ Male ☐ Female / ☐ / ☐ ☐ /	
Part 2 Certificate of stillbirth	
I am a registered	
medical practitioner midwife	
I certify that I have examined the body of the stillborn child and can certify that the child we	as stillbori
I certify that the information I have given above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and beling I am aware that it is an offence to wilfully make a false statement with a view to procuring a cremation.	ef.
Your full name	_
Address	
Registered qualifications	1
GMC reference number / Nursing and Midwifery Council Personal Identification number (PIN)	<u> </u>
Signed Dated	



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Request for fetal, perinatal or infant post mortem examination

Please complete all relevant sections of this form to ensure appropriate examination and avoid delay

Form completed by	Contact for discussion or further information
Name	Name
Signature	Signature
Hospital / tel no. / bleep no	Hospital / tel no. / bleep no
Mother details	Fetus / infant details
Addressograph Name	Surname
Address	First name
Postcode	Date/time of birth
Hospital No Date of Birth	Date/time of death
	Hospital number
Date of delivery	Consultant
Consultant; referring hospital & ward	
Infection risk This is required information. See "Safe working and the prevention of infection in the same there any danger of infection (HIV, viral hepatitis, TB, etc) from the base	
Specify:	
Any special points of interest?	
Mother's medical history	Diagram was a second
	Blood group

Past obstetric history

Date; gestation; weight; details of pregnancy, labour and deliver



Details of current pregnancy

Gestational age	LMP	EDD	Gest (b	y dates)	Gest (by s	scan)
Non-viable fetus		Stillbirth		Neonatal	death	
Spontaneous miscarria	ge 🗆	Antepartum		Premature	2	
Intrauterine death		Intrapartum		Term		
Termination						
Fetal anomaly? Y / N		Reason for termination				
Please give <i>full</i> details &	US findings (attach copy of i	report)				
Amniocentesis? Threatened miscarriage Antepartum haemorrha Details		Poly / oligohydramnios? Hypertension or PET? IUGR?	Y / N Y / N Y / N	Maternal p Glycosuria Other prol	a / diabetes?	Y/N Y/N Y/N
Labour & delivery						
Last evidence of fetal l	ife Date & time	Duration of:	First stage	Secon	nd stage	
Rupture of membranes	Date & time	Liquor: Norr	nal / Meconium /	/ Blood / P	oly / Oligo	
Labour: Spontaneo	ous / induced	Why?		Presenta	tion: Vertex / br	eech / other
Delivery: Spontan	eous / forceps / ve	ntouse / EICS / EmCS	Indication for oper	ative delivery	7	
Fetal distress Y	N Details:					
Other complications:						
Fetus / infant deta		Gest		Apgar 1	min	
Resuscitation?				2	2 min	
				(Other	
Congenital Abnorma	lities					

Neonatal Course

Brief summary of major problems, investigations and treatment

Suspected Cause (s) of Death



Part 3: Prior to Discharge Home

ACTIONS	Yes/No	Signature	Date
Community Midwifery Team as well as Named Midwife informed			
of Baby's Death and first visit arranged.			
General Practitioner informed			
Health Visitor informed			
Antenatal Clinic informed and all Antenatal Appointments			
Cancelled			
Bounty Suppression form completed and emailed.			
Bereavements@bounty.com			
Bereavement Specialist Midwife emailed using referral form.			
Stillbirth Certificate - During COVID 19 Original Stillbirth			
Certificate scanned and emailed to			
Deathregistrations@swansea.gov.uk. Do not give certificate to			
parents. Original certificate then sent to Registry Office by			
recorded delivery			
All belongings given to parents prior to discharge			
Foot/Hand prints and Clay Print Set in Bereavement Box offered			
to parents			
All memory making items given to parents prior to discharge			
Has the leaflet - Information for Breast Care following the loss of your Baby) If Mum wishes for Lactation Suppression been provided and discussion around lactation. Please ensure Carbergoline 1mg has been administered if mum has chosen for assistance with lactation suppression.			
Offer parents the option to take baby home if appropriate – consider CFC, social issues. Liaise with Safeguarding Team if necessary. Please inform on call mortuary staff, Bereavement Midwife and Community Midwifery Team if			
parents taking baby home. Advise that parents can return baby to Singleton Mortuary and discuss with mortuary staff arrangements or can contact chosen funeral director to collect Baby when they are ready. Please complete Release Forms. *			
Contact details for the Bereavement Specialist midwife given to parents and referral emailed.			
Advise of available support: Community midwife, bereavement midwife, support groups, counselling.			
Take home medication provided if required. If parents need to			
return to collect medication, please arrange appropriate time and location. Consider parents feelings if having to return to collect.			
12-week appointment with named Consultant or Consultant on call (if MLC) arranged through secretary. Explain maybe delay in			
results due to national delays but aim for 12 weeks. Please			
send notes to Obstetricians Secretary. Provide Information regarding review process and Discharge			
Provide information regarding review process and Discharge Paperwork for Bereaved Parents for Community Midwife and Contact number for CDS and Midwifery Team			



Taking Baby Home

- -Parents who wish to take their baby home If the cause of death has been established (i.e. Medical staff are happy to issue the death certificate) and the death is not for Coroner investigation, the family should be offered the opportunity to take their baby home. The Release forms within the pathway have to be completed. One copy placed is in the medical notes, one copy sent to the mortuary and one copy to the Patient Services Officer.
- The mortuary has to be informed of all deaths, however, they can be contacted in working hours and the family can take the deceased home without attending the mortuary. A mortuary technician is on call out of hours and can be contacted via switch to advise if parents are taking their baby home from CDS/NICU.
- If the family have agreed to a post mortem, the deceased can still be taken home but the family would need to bring the deceased back to the mortuary within around 24hrs.
- A cold cot should be provided to the family with instructions for its use.
- -. The police are to be contacted via 101 and the registration of the car supplied in the event there is an accident. The baby can be transported in a car seat.
- -A member of staff is to accompany the parents to the car.
- -The Matron is to be advised of the situation if within office hours. If out of hours the on call manager for Women and Child Health is to be informed.
- Please inform Specialist Bereavement Midwife and Community Midwifery Team in order to ensure support is offered when parents leave the hospital with their baby
- -The stillbirth/death certificate is completed by a senior medical staff member and is emailed to the Registry Office as per protocol. Death Certificate is scanned and emailed to Deathregistrations@swansea.gov.uk and original copy send by recorded delivery).
- Parents should be informed that they will be required to register the birth and death at County Hall as soon as possible and will be contacted by a Registrar by telephone to arrange.
- -Following death, a discussion should be had with family by a senior member of the team regarding any questions they may have concerning their care.
- -As part of each review we endeavour to answer parent questions and feedback at a bereavement appointment.
- Offer referral to Specialist Bereavement Midwife and complete referral form and provide contact details should parent's wish to contact



Release of Baby/Child's Body to parents prior to funeral

<u>Please complete this form if parents choose to take their baby home following their death</u>

Release of Baby/Child's Body (any gestation where there have been signs of life (neonatal death)) to parents prior to funeral

Baby/Child's Name		
Hospital Number		
Ward		
Date of death		
Mother's Name		
Father's Name		
Address where Baby/Child		
will be residing until funeral		
Funeral Home telephone		
number		
Bereavement Midwife		
Community Midwife		
General Practitioner		
Health Visitor		
Name of Doctor		
Administering Death		
Certificate		
Name of Funeral Director to		
be contacted for collection		
of Baby		
Registration of Vehicle		
Transporting Baby Home		
Contact Police on 101 to		
advise of discharge		
We/I accept full responsibility t Signed:	o ensure safe keeping of ou	r Baby/Child
Witnessed by:		
Designation:		
Date:		

Please give copy of form: 1) Mortuary 2)Patients medical notes 3)Copy to parents if wish



Please complete and give this form to parents who take their baby's body home and may need to provide information to appropriate persons such as emergency services in the event of an accident /emergency

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Have	taken		-	-		•		address		
on Da	te									
I / We care.	, the par	rent(s),	hereby ta	ake full	respon	sibility for	r our b	aby whilst	they	are in our
	ll (tick as Return Make o			nospital nents fo	on (da r our ch	te) osen fun	eral dir	ector to ar	range	e a funeral
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Name	of staff	memb	er (pleas	e print)						
Positi	on (plea	se prin	t)							
	nember's		concern							
		conta	ot of Labo	ur War	d 0170	2 53086				

Bereavement Midwife Christie-Ann Lang Telephone 07766466896 Email Christie-Ann.Lang@wales.nhs.uk



Bereavement Support Following Pregnancy Loss or Neonatal Death Referral Form

Patients Name		
Hospital Number		
Date Of Birth		
Contact Telephone Number		
Address		
G.P		
Named Consultant		
Family Members		
Date of Bereavement		
Name of Baby if relevant		
Gestation		
Post Mortem	Accepted □	Declined □
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Post Mortem CFC Reason for Referral	Accepted	Declined □

Please return completed forms to:

Christie-Ann Lang Specialist Bereavement Midwife.

<u>Christie-Ann.Lang@wales.nhs.uk</u>. Telephone 0776646896.

Antenatal Clinic. Singleton Hospital. Sketty Lane. SA2 8QA.



Notification to General Practitioner/Health Visitor

Please send this form to the GP and Health Visitor (if applicable) to inform of late miscarriage, medical termination of pregnancy for fetal anomaly, Intrauterine Death, Still Birth or Neonatal Death.

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Relevant Medical		
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Notification to Ante Natal Clinic

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Babies Book of Remembrance

<u>I wish to enter my child's name into the Babies Book of Remembrance at Singleton Hospital:</u>

Name of Baby	
Date of Birth	
Date of Death	
Names of Parents	
Name of Any Siblings	
Message or Verse of your Choice to be included	

Please return to:

Christie-Ann Lang, Specialist Bereavement Midwife, Antenatal Clinic, Singleton Hospital, Sketty Lane, SA2 8QA



Understanding what happened – hospital review

We are really sorry that your baby has died. We understand that this is a difficult time to be reading new information.

It is important to understand as much as we can about what happened and why your baby died. In order to do this, in the coming weeks a hospital team at Swansea Bay University Health Board will hold a meeting and will be reviewing the care of you and your baby.

The review will:

- look at medical records, tests and results, including post mortem results if you have consented to one
- answer any questions you may have and address any concerns
- talk to staff involved
- look at guidance and policies to ensure the care you received was appropriate

The review may tell us that we need to change the way we do things or that good and appropriate care was given to your family.

Involving you

Your views are important and it would be helpful if you could share your feelings and thoughts about your care, or any questions you have with us before we carry out the review. To support you in doing this, we have provided you with a key contact:

Specialist Bereavement Midwife Christie-Ann Lang Telephone – 07766 466896. Email - christie-Ann.Lang@wales.nhs.uk

Your key contact will:

- call you to talk to you about the review process
- ask if you would like to ask any questions or give your perspective of your care to the review team
- give you choices about how you might do this



Please note, your point of contact will not be reviewing your care. They are an independent contact for you to be able to engage in any feedback you would like included and to keep you up to date with the review process.

Keeping you informed

It may take up 3-6 months to gather all the information required for a review meeting and this can sometimes be longer while waiting for results such as post-mortem and placental histology investigations. We understand that this is a long time to wait. Therefore, if you would like to meet with a consultant before the review meeting takes you can arrange this through your key contact. We may, however, not have any further information about what happened and why your baby died by then but can discuss your clinical care.

Once the review report is completed, the Governance team will write to you and an appointment will be offered with the team to discuss the findings with you. We can also send you the review report by post if you prefer.

If you have any questions about this information, please ask a member of staff before you leave hospital. Once you are home the Governance team will write to you with our contact details and your key contact will be in touch with you within 10 days.

Once again please accept our sincere condolences at the sad loss of your baby and if there is anything we can do to offer support at this difficult time please do not hesitate to contact your named Key Contact above.



Post Natal Discharge Records



Addressograph

Community Team:	Contact Number
Named Midwife:	Contact Number

Labour Ward: 01792 530862

Specialist Bereavement Midwife: Christie-Ann Lang

Contact Number: 07766466896



Mothers Name Father/Partne	ers Name
Gravida Parity Blood Group	Rhesus Status
Anti D Required: Y/N. Anti D Administered Y/N. Date A	Administered
Carbagoline Offered to supress Lactation Y/N. Carbagol	line Administered Y/N
Date of Birth Time of Birth	
Delivery Type: <u>NVD/Ventouse/Forceps/C-Section.</u>	MBL:
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Post Mortem Accepted/Declined. Memory Box Prov	ided: Y/N
Photographs/Handprints Given to Parents/Kept in Note	es
Gestation at Birth	
Sex of Baby Baby's Weight	
Baby's Name	
Discharge Medication:	
Further relevant information:	

Date	Comments	Name/Signature

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