



NEONATE WITH POSTNATAL SUSPECTED / DETECTED CONGENITAL HEART DISEASE

Discussion with Duty Cardiologist
Including clinical management plan e.g. need for prostaglandin E1
Cardiology Registrar (available 0900-2100Hrs), or contact Duty Cardiology Consultant
Via RHC Switchboard (0141 201 0000) +/- Telemedicine if appropriate

STABLE INFANT SUITABLE FOR OUTPATIENT REVIEW?

YES

Arrange cardiology rapid access clinic appointment or routine clinic referral

NO

REQUIRES IMMEDIATE TRANSFER FOR ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

IMMEDIATE RETRIEVAL AND ADMISSION PROCESS:

- Referrer ± Duty Cardiologist refer urgently to Emergency Transport Service (SCOTSTAR)
- Admission Unit guided by Admission Criteria below
- Conference Call with Referrer, Cardiologist, Transport Lead, and Duty NICU/PICU Consultant

Admission Criteria to guide appropriate ward for admission:

Cardiology Ward Criteria

- Weight ≥ 2.5 kg
- Gestation ≥ 37 weeks
- No respiratory support
- No inotropes
- No acute neonatal issues
- PGE1 ≤ 10 nanog/kg/min and 2 x IV access

NICU Criteria

- Gestation < 37 weeks
- Age < 10 days
- Neonatal issues or associated anomalies likely to require NICU input
- **Confirmed neonatal palliative pathway**

PICU Criteria*

- Weight ≥ 2.5 kg
- Gestation ≥ 37 weeks
- Age ≥ 10 days
- Likely cardiac surgery in next 5 days e.g. HLHS
- Cardiovascular instability

- If uncertainty regarding appropriate ward, arrange joint discussion with PICU & NICU Teams
- If patient status changes prior to admission / during transfer re-consider appropriate ward / unit
- Transfer between Ward / NICU / PICU if status changes after admission and assessment

PHONE NUMBERS

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