



Taking your baby home

This option includes the possibility for you as the parents to collect your baby from the hospital mortuary and continue with private funeral arrangements from home. There is a legal requirement the mortuary must adhere to in order to facilitate this. The hospital recommends that the funeral arrangements for your baby are handled by a funeral director and that the baby is buried in a cemetery, however

For further assistance and information please contact :

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Hospital Switchboard:
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The Mortuary Team:
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020 7436 5881

If you have a visual impairment this leaflet can be made available in bigger print or on audiotape. If you require either of these options please contact the Patient Information Centre on 0161 922 5332

If you require an interpreter, please ask an appropriate person to contact our central booking office between Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm on 0161 922 6991 to arrange this for you.

語言翻譯及病者支持服務 (LIPS):

如果閣下需要翻譯員在您的預約當日幫助您的話 請找一名合適的家庭成員 0161 922 6991 聯絡本中央預約辦事處來您您安排 我們的辦公時間是星期一至星期五 上午 8 時至下午 5 時

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Jeśli potrzebujesz pomocy tłumacza w trakcie swojej wizyty, proszę poprosić odpowiedniego członka rodziny o skontaktowanie się z Centralnym Biurem Zamówień (Central Booking Office), w celu zorganizowania tłumacza pomiędzy poniedziałkiem a piątkiem w godzinach od 08:00 - 17:00 pod numerem 0161 922 6991.

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اگر آپ کو اپنی اپائنٹ کے لئے مترجم کی مدد کی ضرورت ہو تو براہ مہربانی اپنے نامہ ان کے کسی موزوں فرد سے کہیں کہ وہ ہمارے سنٹرل بک آفس سے پیر سے بعد 8.00 بجے صبح سے 5.00 بجے شام کے دوران 0161 922 6991 پر فون کر کے اس کا بندوبست کریں۔

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Funeral choices for babies under 24 weeks gestation



You now have the difficult decision of what type of funeral you would like for your baby, It is important you have all of the information to fully understand the choices you are making. This leaflet will discuss the options that are available to you.

The staff taking care of you will be able to help and support you to make this decision. They will also ensure that the correct paperwork is completed. While in the care of the mortuary your baby will be taken care of by the mortuary team. If you have changed your mind of the arrangements you would like, Please contact your midwife at the hospital as soon as possible to make them aware of this.

Monthly Cremation

Some families do not wish for an individual funeral for a baby lost very early, For these families the hospital offer a monthly cremation for babies lost before 24 weeks of pregnancy.

This service is free, and takes place at Dukinfield crematorium on the last Wednesday of each month (except December). It is a communal cremation, but each baby is placed in their own individual container. Although parents and families are not invited, the service which is conducted by the hospital contracted funeral Director, Aiden Gaunt, remains respectful. Whilst music is playing, the babies are taken in through the front door of the crematorium, and carried to the front, music continues during the cremation process.

Ashes are scattered together on Rose bed B, which is to the left side of the crematorium - parents are welcome to visit the Rose bed B at any time they wish to.

You may prefer a private cremation, where you are able to be involved and attend the service. In this case you can contact Aiden Gaunt 0161 368 9883 to arrange. (free of charge)

Note: Depending on the dates, some investigations may affect which month your baby will get to the crematorium.

Funeral Service

When arranging a private funeral it is important that you choose a company that you are happy with. You may wish to consult a few funeral directors before making your final decision. Funeral directors will provide a simple funeral for your baby that will incur minimum or no cost to you, which would include;

- ◆ Limousine
- ◆ Cremation or
- ◆ Burial (in a baby grave at Dukinfield)
- ◆ Casket
- ◆ Minister
- ◆ Service

There will be a charge to the you for any extras, such as; flowers/decorations/order of service/extra cars/family grave

Burial

In the Tameside area, Dukinfield is the only cemetery with a designated baby garden area. A burial here is free of charge, however, there is a requirement for a memorial stone which has a mandatory charge to families

- ◆ Stone plaque £240 with maximum 70 characters
- ◆ Black Granite £360 with maximum 70 characters
- ◆ A motif additional £95
- ◆ Additional characters £2 each

You can choose a burial in any other cemetery, unless there is an existing grave in your family, you would have to purchase the rights to the grave. These can cost around £1000 for residents of Tameside.

Cemeteries offer burials for various denominations - Hyde and Ashton Hurst have a separate area for Muslim faith (a grave here would have to be purchased)

Further charges may apply for a weekend/ bank holiday burial