



Arrangements to be made for the funeral of your baby (Born Before 24 weeks)

Patient information Leaflet



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All the staff involved in your care are aware that painful decisions have to be made about the burial/cremation of your baby. This leaflet will explain the procedures required but please feel free to ask the staff caring for you if you have any further questions.

Hospital Arrangements

Many families do not wish an individual funeral for a baby lost very early. For these families the hospital offers a monthly cremation at Dukinfield crematorium for babies lost before 24 weeks of pregnancy. There is no charge for this service and is usually carried out on the last Wednesday of the month. Each baby is cremated in its own container in a group cremation and ashes are scattered on Rosebed B which is situated to the left of the Crematorium. Parents are not invited to the cremation but they are free to visit Rose Bed B at Dukinfield crematorium at any time.

Individual/Private Funeral Arrangements

In some circumstances families may prefer an individual cremation or burial. The hospital funeral director is Aiden Gaunt, 43 Market Street, Hyde Cheshire. SK14 2AD, telephone number 0161 368 9883. This is a 24 hour number and if you opt to use his service Aiden will liaise with you every step of the way. This is usually a free service however, there may be additional charges if you have specific requests.

If you prefer you may use any undertaker of your choice. If you are making your own funeral arrangements, you will need to contact your own funeral director. The funeral director will then contact the hospital to make arrangements. Most undertakers offer a reduced/no charge for babies funerals, you need to check the details with your own undertaker.

Photographs

The hospital does, as a matter of course, take digital photographs of your baby which form part of your medical records. Please let us know if you would prefer this not to happen. The photographs are kept in your Hospital notes and should you wish to have them at a later date, please contact the staff on Labour Ward on 0161 922 6172.

Remembrance Service

Every year the Midwives and the Hospital Chaplains hold a Baby Memorial Service. It is held at the Albion United Reform Church, Stamford Street, Ashton Under Lyne on the third Sunday in November at 14:00. The service will be an opportunity for you and your family to remember your baby and express your feelings of grief in a safe environment.

Before the service you will be given a card to write your baby's name/names and this will be used during the service.

The event is advertised in all local newspapers from the beginning of November, if you wish to have further details nearer the time, please contact the Labour Ward on 0161 922 6172

If you have any questions you want to ask, you can use this space below to remind you

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