



national bereavement c a r e p a t h w a y

for pregnancy and baby loss

The National Bereavement Care Pathway (NBCP), supported by the Department of Health and Social Care and the APPG on baby loss, has been developed to improve the quality of bereavement care experienced by families at all stages of pregnancy and baby loss up to 12 months in neonatal settings or of sudden infant death.

- ◆ To ensure all bereaved parents are offered the same high standard of parent-centred, empathic and safe care when a baby dies.
- ◆ To ensure that professionals have access to guidance, materials and training to support their work.

The NBCP has been piloted in 32 sites in England, the independent evaluation for which demonstrated positive impacts for parents and professionals.

Nine bereavement care standards (highlighted overleaf) have been developed as a result of the pilot programme, and these form the basis of the roll out plan. The NBCP collaboration have called on all Trusts to adopt the NBCP, details of which can be found at the website www.nbcpathway.org.uk



Bereavement Care Standards



Parent-Led
Bereavement Care Plan



Bereavement
Training



Emotional and mental health
Assessment and
Referral Care Plan



Bereavement
Lead



Bereavement
Rooms



System to signal
there has been a bereavement



Opportunities
to make memories



Support & resources
for healthcare staff



Informed
Choices

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