Criteria for paediatric review and/or readmission

- Refer to ‘Criteria for Paediatric Review and/or Re-admission to Postnatal Wards (KEMH)’ within CAHS Neonatology guideline: Admission to NICU KEMH and PCH

- If concerned the infant is unwell or ill, urgent review should be sought at the nearest paediatric emergency centre. See also WNHS policy: Recognising and Responding to Acute Physiological (Clinical) Deterioration (access to WA Health employees through Healthpoint) for ‘Escalation protocol’ in community settings.

Procedure for paediatric review

- Where a baby meets any of the review/readmission criteria, the midwife will inform the paediatric Consultant or Senior Registrar (SR) (phone hospital switchboard) that the baby requires review.
  - During office hours (M-F 8am-4pm) the hospital switchboard will put the midwife through to the on-service Consultant Neonatologist for Delivery/SCN2
  - At other times, hospital switch will connect to the SR (page 3377)

- If the baby is coming to KEMH for review the midwife will inform the KEMH Emergency Centre (EC) and ask the parents/guardian to bring the baby to the KEMH EC.

- Complete the Visiting Midwifery Service EC Referral form (MR026)

Boarder mother

- See Boarders Procedure on the Ward 3,4,5 Healthpoint page (available to WA Health employees though Healthpoint) for midwifery care (if required) whilst the woman is a boarder.
Readmission of a baby / babies to KEMH (from VMS/MGP/CMP)

Related WNHS (and CAHS Neonatology) policies, guidelines and procedures

- WNHS policy: Recognising and Responding to Acute Physiological (Clinical) Deterioration
- Healthpoint hub page: Boarders Procedure on the Ward 3,4,5 Healthpoint page
- CAHS Neonatology guideline: Admission to NICU KEMH and PCH: Criteria for Paediatric Review and/or Re-admission to Postnatal Wards (KEMH)

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