

Guidelines for Transport Handover

Aim: to promote good communication practices

Handover method

- 📋 Infant name, gestational age and postnatal age, weight
- 📋 Medical History to include details of Perinatal history, delivery/resuscitation, initial and current diagnosis.
- 📋 Respiratory status: Surfactant doses and times, Ventilatory/respiratory status, recent blood gas analysis, ventilation changes, specific concerns, secretions and suctioning, current management plan.
- 📋 Neurological: Cranial Ultrasound findings, clinical status, tolerance of handling, specific concerns.
- 📋 Cardiovascular: Blood pressure status, perfusion, arterial access, inotrope and other drug (Prostin, Diuretics) requirements, longline/peripheral access, presence of cardiac anomalies, specific concerns, current management
- 📋 Nutrition: fluid requirements, Mum's choice of feeding method, electrolyte status, current issues, weight gain and management
- 📋 GI Tract: bowel function, distension, bowel sounds, feed tolerance if appropriate, specific concerns.
- 📋 Metabolic: blood glucose status, TSB levels, specific requirements and interventions
- 📋 Temperature: Current overview, incubator settings, humidity
- 📋 Medications: drug times and prescription schedule, omissions, IV infusions, specific concerns and further management
- 📋 Family: Communication, social needs, specific requests or concerns
- 📋 Check identification namebands with the person caring for the baby.