Child Death Review Process / Joint agency response

Unexpected Child Death: <18 years old
These children should be taken to ED unless clearly inappropriate

1. Asap Lead Clinician to inform the Police - Tel: 101, the Coroner - Tel: 01483-637300 (office hours) Out of hours Tel 101 and ask for the on-call Coroner’s Officer and Social Care via MASH Tel: 0300-470-9100 (office hours), Out of hours contact emergency duty team Tel: 01483-517898
2. Initial information-sharing and planning discussion held between Lead Clinician, Police and Social Care (to include information from the Ambulance crew; Discussion to be documented in child’s records).
3. If Safeguarding concerns are identified, an initial multi-agency strategy discussion/meeting to be convened by Children’s Social Care.
4. Police to arrange joint home/scene visit for children under the age of 2 years with Specialist Nurse for Child Death Reviews: Tel: 07824-350491. If there is to be a delay in arranging the joint visit, Police to consider carrying out the initial home visit.
5. Inform Child Death Review Coordinator Tel: 01372-833319 asap
6. Complete Child Death Review Notification Form A and email to CDOP Co-ordinator within 24 hours. Email: cdop@surreycc.gcsx.gov.uk
7. Complete Child Death SI if the case meets the SI criteria and follow Hospital Policy
8. Notify GP
9. If there are Safeguarding concerns, Health Professional to follow Surrey Safeguarding Children Board procedures and Hospital Safeguarding Children Procedures.

CDOP Coordinator cascades information to CDOP Team and to relevant professionals and collates information from all appropriate agencies.

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