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## 41.1 Booking and referral

## 41.1.1 Responsibilities of Relevant Staff Groups

STAFF GROUP	RESPONSIBILITIES
GP	Directs pregnant woman to central
Primary Care response not ELHT	midwife booking line:
	Telephone 01282 804512
	Open between 9am and 12pm.
	The woman makes her own booking
	appointment with a Midwife for 8-12
	weeks gestation, or arranges urgent
	appointment, within two weeks, for
	women greater than 12 weeks
	gestation.
	ELHT provides appointment slots and clinic cover to enable booking
	appointments to take place
GP	Ensures that women who have not
Primary Care response not ELHT	previously had a full medical
	examination in the United Kingdom
	have a medical history taken and
	clinical assessment made of their
	overall health.
	If there is a need for early referral for
	urgent CLC e.g. diabetes or medical co-
	morbidities then a referral letter is sent
	directly to the ANC who will arrange an
	early review.
ELHT Maternity Service	Ensures midwifery availability for the
	booking clinics and attendance at clinics
Midwife	Carries out antenatal risk assessment,
	completes hand held notes
	(documenting the date and gestation at time of booking), offers a Dating Scan /
	Anomaly Scan (depending on gestation,
	if known) appointment, and sends
	booking referral information (3-part set)
	to Antenatal Records Department,
	requesting either Midwifery led or
	Consultant led care, as determined by
	both the assessment and maternal
	preference.
	Completes coding sheet and social
	needs assessment

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Obstetrician	Reviews all relevant information available on woman in whom risks have been identified and referred, makes a clinical assessment, and develops an individual management plan with the woman accordingly, documenting this in the notes.
Antenatal Health Records Staff	Generate / retrieve hospital health records, including those from all previous pregnancies (see section 41.1.3 below).
Consultant Obstetric Anaesthetist	See 41.1.5 below and Appendix 1

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## 41.1.2 Flow Chart 1

# Process for ensuring women have their first full booking visit and hand held record completed by twelve completed weeks of pregnancy

	Women are directed to central midwife be appointment with a midwife for 8-12 wee GP's can refer directly for consultant opin first trimester	ks ion if women need an urgent review in the	
ELHT pathway commencesFirst Full booking appointment with n Handheld maternity booking records com commenced Evidence of booking appointment taking p Risk assessment includes as minimum:• Medical conditions, including analog • Factors from previous pregnancies • Lifestyle factors (smoking, alcohol) • Women who decline blood or blood • Mental health assessment		pleted (sheets 1,2 &3) and antenatal book place is documented in antenatal book 1 esthetic history s l, recreational or opioid drug use)	
Risks identified on antenatal risk assessment 		No risks identified on antenatal risk assessment Referral is made for midwifery led care by sending the top 2 copies of the 3 page assessment to antenatal clinic annotating MLC Hospital health records generated and retrieved. Dating scan appointment Medical notes available and risk assessment reviewed – referral for obstetric review as	
		necessary or confirm suitable for MLC Anomaly scan arranged Midwife- led clinic Antenatal contact documented Ongoing risk assessment e.g. palpation, monitoring etc Referral for obstetric review / specialist midwifery support as necessary Telephone the antenatal records department to arrange a clinic appointment. For urgent cases referral may occur via the ANDU, CBS or triage	
	Obstetric Antenatal Clinic (CLC) or Shared care with midwife ELHT/M	Notes: 1. Booking dating scan: midwife calls the ultrasound booking line at time of booking to arrange 2. Maternal preference may determine clinical lead ate regardless of risk status 3. <b>Out of area referrals</b> GP writes or telephones ANC	

3. **Out of area referrals** GP writes or telephones ANC directly who will direct to the booking line to make the appropriate dating scan and booking

It is ELHT policy that ALL women are seen alone initially at both their booking and 28 week appointments. This enables the woman to make any disclosures in a safe space, including any information she might not want her partner to be aware of. This time should also be used to ask about domestic and sexual violence within the home. Follow Appendix 4, if you have any disclosures. Routine Enquiry should also be completed at any antenatal appointment where the woman is alone and also in the postnatal period.

## 41.1.3 Process for ensuring that women already 12 or more weeks pregnant are seen within two weeks of referral

In such circumstances, a booking appointment is arranged by the GP/practice staff or GP / Children's Centre staff informing the relevant Midwifery Team, either directly or by phoning/faxing the Community Midwives' Office in the Maternity Unit, or by them contacting the Antenatal Records Department at the hospital. A visit will be arranged within 2 weeks from time of contact by referrer. Midwives will enter booking in their diary schedule or clinic slots via the system in each GP practice or clinic which may include appointment books /electronic register systems in Primary Care if available. If the booking visit cannot be done by a Team Midwife because there is no-one available or able to see the woman soon enough, Antenatal Records staff will arrange for the woman to be seen at the hospital, where she will have the appropriate scan appointment made and subsequently be reviewed by an Obstetrician if clinically indicated

## 41.1.4 Process for ensuring that migrant women who have not previously had a full medical examination in the UK have a medical history taken and clinical assessment made of their overall health

If there is no documented evidence that a woman has undergone a full medical examination in the UK, a hospital antenatal appointment will be necessary, and this examination will be done, along with a clinical assessment of her overall health, at her first hospital antenatal appointment, by a doctor. The assessment must be documented in the antenatal health records.

## 41.1.5 Process for arranging availability of health records from all previous pregnancies for review by clinicians

On receipt of booking referral information (copy of '3-part set'), Antenatal Health Records staff will request health records from previous pregnancies held by the Trust, so that they will be available when the woman attends her first hospital appointment. The general medical records will also be requested and available for the first hospital appointment.

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If the woman has given birth in another Trust and the obstetrician requires further details of the birth, it is the responsibility of the obstetrician, or a member of their team, to write to the relevant Trust to formally request a copy of the health records.

## 41.1.6 Process for ensuring early consultant review (1<sup>st</sup> trimester)

Women with pre-existing medical conditions such as diabetes, poorly controlled thyroid disease, hypertension or previous VTE may require an early review. This may occur before they undergo the formal booking process.

A GP can request an urgent obstetric opinion by contacting the antenatal clinic either in writing by faxing a referral or telephoning. An urgent appointment to be seen in the next available consultant ANC will be arranged.

## 41.2.1 Risk assessment criteria for home / birth centre birth during pregnancy

- Women with no medical conditions or previous obstetric complications (see referral criteria, section 41.2.3 and 41.2.4)
- Women whose conditions have been agreed are unlikely to affect labour
- Over Age 16 yrs
- Women having 1st to 5th baby inclusive (excluding women with a history of PPH at last birth)
- Pregnancy of 37-42 weeks
- Singleton pregnancy
- Weight BMI between 18.5 and 35
- Women who do not meet the eligibility criteria, but who make an informed choice to have a Home Birth (referral to team leader indicated)

It is essential that the primary midwife gives the parents information highlighting transport to the hospital and the time required, before labour starts.

## 41.2.2 Criteria for midwife led care

Midwife led care should be offered to all healthy pregnant women aged over 16yrs who do not have significant past or current medical, gynaecological or obstetric problems (as listed in the tables in section .....)

Primigravid women, without additional risk factors, do not require a referral for consultant care.

## 41.3 Indications for referral for consultant opinion

Referrals should be made, as soon as any of the "indicators" listed in the table below are identified by the main care giver involved at the time.

Medical problems past	General	Obstetric History
or present	General	Obsterne mistory
Cardiac Disease • Currently or previously on treatment • Previous surgery • Known cardiac abnormality or arrythmia Respiratory disease • Asthma – moderate or severe (oral steroids within the last 12 months, poor control, hospital admissions or worsening asthma in pregnancy) • Cystic Fibrosis Renal disease Autoimmune disease Pre-existing diabetes Hyperthyroidism or hypothyroidism (currently treated or not) Ulcerative colitis or Crohns disease Previous VTE or VTE risk score 3 or more Haemoglobinopathies (sickle cells disease or thalassaemia) Bleeding disorder in baby or mother Atypical antibodies Essential Hypertension: on treatment or BP >150/90 at booking Epilepsy HIV, Hep B/C or VDRL	Age: <16yrs or >40yrs at booking Late booker (22/40) BMI >35 (For those with a BMI 30- 34.9 please follow BMI care pathway) Women who decline blood products Known significant feature of domestic violence <b>Gynaecological History</b> LLETZ or Cone treatment IVF or assisted conception Pelvic floor repair or surgery for incontinence Hysterotomy Myomectomy Fibroids >5cm or located in the lower segment of the uterus Uterine perforation History of fractured pelvis Uterine abnormalities	All 3 <sup>rd</sup> or 4 <sup>th</sup> degree tears Caesarean section Pre-term birth <34 weeks or previous PPROM 16- 34/40 3 consecutive miscarriage Previous mid trimester loss Stillbirth or neonatal death PET/HELLP/Eclampsia/PIH needing treatment or early delivery Previous SGA <10 <sup>th</sup> centile PPH > 1L Neonate affected by GBS Para 6 or more History of baby >4.5kg (book GTT don't need reviewing) Gestational diabetes Uterine malformations Cervical trauma Cholestasis of pregnancy Abruption Previous fetal/neonatal abnormality Previous term baby with jaundice requiring treatment

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Neurological disorder Spinal abnormalities Current drug or alcohol use Smoker >10/day Mental health issues (refer to guideline for referral)		
Maternal indications during pregnancy	Fetal indications during pregnancy	Physiotherapy referral
Hyperemesis requiring admission or medication review BP >150/100 on 2 consecutive readings and / or significant proteinuria 1+ (NICE 2017) Suspected or confirmed DVT Confirmed obstetric cholestasis UTI (3 or more confirmed cases) Recurrent APH / known persistent haematoma on early USS Antibodies Anaemia Hb<90 not responding to oral iron therapy Active infection (chicken pox, rubella, genital herpes) Placenta praevia Pre-term rupture of membranes Abnormal GTT Prelabour rupture of membranes >24hrs	Multiple pregnancy Breech >36/40 Fetal abnormality Suspected growth restrictions – follow suspected SGA pathway Reduced fetal movements CTG or doppler request No audible FH Irregular or tachycardiac FH Accelerated fetal growth or suspected polyhydramnios Prolonged pregnancy >Term +12 Unstable lie or abnormal presentation >37/40	Symphysis pubis dysfunction Pelvic floor problems Carpel tunnel syndrome Other MSK problems

## 41.3.1 Family History

All Women who have a family history as listed below must be referred to the Antenatal and Newborn Screening Team or Senior Midwife in the hospital Antenatal Clinics at the time of booking. Midwives can telephone the Clerical Officers within the hospital clinics who will record the relevant details and alert the screening team. The woman will then be contacted and offered an early appointment This is to ensure the offer of early referral to Genetics and management of the current pregnancy.

Couple / woman already have a child with a Genetic disorder.

Couple / woman have had any children who have died or who have health problems. Couple / woman have had pregnancy losses associated with multiple congenital anomalies.

Woman / partner are known carriers for an autosomal recessive disorder.

There is a child with a known recessive disorder within the extended family.

A sibling / first degree relative of either parent is affected with an autosomal recessive disorder

Family history is indicative of an autosomal recessive and needs further explanation. Couple have been found to be a carrier, through a screening programme/ extended genetic service.

## 41.4 Transfer from Consultant to Midwifery care in antenatal period

If referred for consultant opinion and the decision is that the condition/problem has resolved, not serious or is unlikely to affect the pregnancy or labour referral can be made back to midwifery care

Referral back to MLC must be clearly documented in the woman's hospital maternity notes and in her hand held notes, and the woman advised when to make her next appointment with the community midwife. Ongoing appointments will continue in the community.

Following consultant clinic review it may be appropriate to offer shared care. The individualised management plan should clearly state when the antenatal clinic appointments are required at the hospital so that additional appointments can be arranged with the community midwives.

### 41.5 Referrals for anaesthetic review (See appendix 1)

Referrals should be made, as soon as any of the 'indications' listed in section 41.5.1 below are identified, by the main care giver involved at the time.

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Review may be by case notes review in the first instance, followed by interview if necessary.

The outcome of the referral should be documented by the Obstetric Anaesthetist in the maternity notes or through correspondence filed in the notes, e.g. letter

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## 41.5.1 Indications for referral for anaesthetic review

## **Guidelines for Anaesthetic Referral**

We will see any mothers that request an Anaesthetic Review We would like to know about and will consider seeing patients with the following conditions:

- Previous anaesthetic problem of any kind (e.g. difficult intubation)
- Previous family history of specific anaesthetic problem (e.g. Malignant Hyperthermia, abnormal plasma cholinesterases)
- Extreme anxiety, extreme needle phobia
- Obesity: BMI≥40 at booking or >35 with other potential cause for concern (see Guideline 39: Obesity) Note: Obese patients having a planned LSCS can be seen at anaesthetic antenatal clinic the week before

Pre-existing medical problems:

- Cardiac
  - affecting activities of daily living
  - o obstructive disease, e.g. HOCM, valvular stenotic disease
  - known pulmonary hypertension
  - multiple drug therapy
  - o paroxysmal or inadequately controlled dysrhythmia
- Respiratory
  - o affecting activities of daily living
  - o requirement for multiple hospital admissions
  - o deteriorating disease
  - o bronchiectasis, cystic fibrosis
- Endocrine
  - o poorly controlled disease, e.g. clinical hyperthyroidism
  - o pan-hypopituitarism
  - $\circ$  diabetes mellitus with known autonomic neuropathy
- Haematological
  - o coagulopathy inherited/therapeutic
  - o thrombocytopenia
  - sickle cell disease (not trait)
  - Jehovah's Witness (only if they wish to have a discussion of the options available)
- Hepato-renal
  - o urea>8, creatinine>130
  - o pre-existing significant hepatic impairment
- Neurological
  - $\circ$   $\;$  affecting activities of daily living  $\;$
  - o poorly controlled epilepsy

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- known other significant disease (may or may not be intracranial)
- o known/suspected raised intracranial pressure
- Musculoskeletal
  - significant spinal pathology e.g. significant scoliosis, patients who have had spinal surgery, patients requiring opioid or neuropathic analgesia
  - o obvious facial/oral anatomical abnormality
- Miscellaneous
  - o known/suspected significant allergies, e.g., local anaesthetic, latex
  - o known/suspected history of porphyria
  - history of organ transplantation
  - o drug abuse/addiction

This is not an exclusive list. If in doubt ask (bleep 007) or refer. Please include as much information about the underlying condition as possible in the referral. If the patient has been seen by us during previous pregnancies please include this too.

## 41.6 Referral for specialist midwifery support

**East Lancashire Women's Health Team** - Includes Mental Health and substance misuse specialist midwives:

For referral criteria:-

- Severe diagnosed mental health problems. Recent psychotic episodes, schizophrenia, acute mental health, bipolar. History of attempted suicide or self-harm, depression diagnosed and treated by a health professional, under core of CMHT, not GP.
- Asylum seeker with complex health and social care issues
- Sexual Exploitation
- Trafficking
- Safeguarding; Current children's social care involvement for complex issues, such as women in a refuge family on a CP plan.
- Teenager with complex issues
- Diagnosed Learning Disabilities.
- Problem Drug/Alcohol use.

Referral form see appendix 3

Diabetes midwife – pre-existing or gestational diabetes

Team leaders – birth choices beyond usual care

## 41.6 Process for Clinical Risk Assessment when Labour commences (all care settings):

#### Timing:

when commencement of labour confirmed

#### **Risk Assessment (RA)**

To be undertaken and documented on RA in labour form (see appendix 2). RA to include consideration of:

- Medical conditions, including anaesthetic history
- Factors from previous pregnancy
- Lifestyle history
- RA for appropriate place of birth

Any management plan developed following risk assessment at booking or during pregnancy must also be considered

#### Individual Management Plan:

Develop an individual management plan when risks are identified during the RA, documenting the plan on the RA in labour form or partogram (appendix 2)

## Process for referral of women when risks are identified during the clinical risk assessment:

If in hospital setting – liaise with and involve appropriate colleagues from multidisciplinary team in planning and implementing care If in Home setting – liaise with appropriate colleagues from multidisciplinary team and arrange transfer to hospital as per Guideline 27: Maternal Transfer, where appropriate

## 41.6.2 Criteria for referral for consultant opinion or care in labour

The timing of subsequent clinical risk assessments in labour must be individually tailored to suit the needs of the women and her fetus (See also table below, and guideline 27: Transfer of care, for referral process)

- 1. Maternal request for epidural pain relief
- 2. Fetal heart rate abnormalities (audible decelerations, FH <110 or >160)
- Delay in progress in labour in presence of good contractions (need to allow for physiological plateaus and latent periods – use action lines – see also ELHT Maternity Clinical Guidelines: Guideline 71, Care in the First Stage of Established Labour, Guideline 72 Care in the Second Stage of Established Labour and Guideline 73 Care in the Third Stage of Labour. Maternal temperature >38 once (NICE) <36 (sepsis)</li>

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- 4. Maternal heart rate >120 bpm
  <40 bpm</li>
  5. Blood pressure (NICE) Single diastolic >110 Any systolic > 160 Diastolic >90 or systolic >140 on 2 readings 30minutes apart Proteinuria (2+ on a clean catch) with normal blood pressure
  6. Maternal respiration
  - >25
  - 7. MOEWS 2 or more
  - 8. Meconium stained liquor: fresh thick meconium always referred: thin old meconium judged individually regarding the stage of labour
  - 9. Malpresentation (transverse or oblique lie or a free floating head in a primigravida)
  - 10. Prolonged rupture of membranes (>24hrs)
  - 11. Third stage haemorrhage >1000mls or symptomatic
  - 12. Cord presentation or prolapse
  - 13. Retained placenta over 1 hour following birth and actively managed. All case of retained products
  - 14. Third or fourth degree perineal tear
  - 15. Any concerns regarding maternal, fetal or neonatal wellbeing
  - 16. Vaginal bleeding (other than a show)
  - 17. Anhydramnios or polyhydramnios

An individual management plan must be developed collaboratively for those women in whom risks are identified

Discuss PROM guidelines with women before this point. IV antibiotic prophylaxis is not needed unless any signs of infection develop, but observation of baby for 12hours in hospital is recommended

The level of urgency in relation to transfer will be influenced by the timing and number of risk factors present

## 41.7 – Monitoring Compliance with the guideline

The guideline will be reviewed and audited when.

- I. Clinical Risk Management dictates.
- II. National guidance is updated and implemented

If cases, which are reviewed as a result of incident reporting where there is an issue with the identification of clinical risk factors in labour or any failures are identified with the clinical risk assessment process, recommendations will be made and the Central Birth Suite Forum will develop an action plan.

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## Appendix 1: Referrals for Anaesthetic Consultation Introduction

There is an increasing need for multidisciplinary input into the care of pregnant women. There has to be a robust system of referral and communication to ensure timely review and feedback.

The process of referral must ensure that

- Referrals are triaged promptly
- Appointments are arranged at a suitable time
- Patients are notified in a timely manner
- Patients who fail to attend are either reappointed or alternative arrangements made to safeguard their care

### Who should be referred?

Any patient who has a condition that can affect or be affected by the anaesthetic management for her delivery must be referred for anaesthetic consultation. A number of relevant conditions are listed in 41.2.4.1 above (this list is not exhaustive).

#### Who to refer to?

Referrals should be addressed to: Obstetric Anaesthesia Consultation Clinic Department of Anaesthesia Burnley General Hospital Casterton Avenue Burnley BB10 2 PQ

### How to refer?

Referrals should be made as early as possible. This helps with planning clinics and appointments.

If referrals are made late in pregnancy (after 34 weeks) the referral should be faxed to the Anaesthetic Department at BGH (14856) FAO Obstetric Anaesthesia Consultation Clinic.

Verbal or phone referral (Anaesthetic Department, BGH: 01282 804644 / Internal ext. 14644) are acceptable in special circumstances, but should be followed up by a written referral.

The referral letter must contain as a minimum

- Patient Name and identifier
- Estimated date of delivery
- Brief obstetric history
- Plan for delivery
- Reason for referral

### Allocation and communication of anaesthetic appointments

Patients will be given an appointment typically between 28 and 34 weeks. The appointment will be sent in writing 2-3 weeks ahead.

The patient will be required to confirm the appointment by phone

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Any patient who has not confirmed the appointment one week ahead may be contacted by phone

Unconfirmed appointments may be reallocated.

#### Communication of outcome of anaesthetic consultation to referring team

The content, discussion and conclusion of the consultation will be summarised either by hand written notes and/or a letter, or in a summary form.

#### Missed anaesthetic appointments

Patients who miss an anaesthetic appointment will normally receive a further appointment and their obstetrician will be informed with a request to encourage the patient to attend for anaesthetic consultation.

If a patient fails to attend on two occasions, no further appointment will be arranged unless the Consultant Obstetrician requests it after discussing with the patient the purpose and benefit of attending.

Issues identified from the patients notes will be summarised in a letter together with clear instructions to inform the Obstetric Anaesthetist as soon as the patient is admitted to hospital or delivery suite, so that he can familiarise himself with the patient's history, review the patient and address any problems early.

#### Monitoring

A report regarding the obstetric anaesthesia consultation service will be presented annually to the obstetric anaesthesia interest group and the lead clinicians group. The report will include Number of referrals A breakdown according to reason for referral Number of consultations DNA rate

Where the report identifies deficiencies, recommendations will be made and an action plan developed, and monitored through the Obstetric Anaesthesia Interest Group to ensure changes are implemented effectively. Exception reports will be forwarded to Womens Newborn Quality and Safety Board.

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## Appendix 2 Clinical Risk Assessment in Labour

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Ĺ	Hospital Number	DOB
	First Name	.M / F
i I	Last Name	.Religion
i I	Address	.GP
l	NHS Number	······
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CLINICAL RISK ASSESSMENT IN LABOUR

To be completed for all women within one hour of the commencement of labour and in all care settings.

Please file in case notes

\*May be entered prior to labour if neonatal plan has been agreed in the antenatal period.

Date and time of risk assessment -		
Gestation -	Current VTE risk -	
Relevant medical conditions, including anaesthetic history		
Relevant factors from previous pregnancies		
Relevant factors from current pregnancy		
Relevant lifestyle/social history		
*Relevant neonatal conditions/plans of care following birth		
Chosen place of birth still appropriate from clinical perspective and	Clinical Perspective	
Womens perspective?	YES NO	
	Womens Perspective	
	YES NO	
	*please circle	
Has women requested transfer to LWNC?	YES NO	
Management plans documented if risk identified?		
NB: If the woman requests transfer of care at any point to LWNC transfer MUST be arranged if it is safe to do so.		
Name and designation	Signature	

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## Appendix 3 Caseload Midwifery Team Referral Form <u>Caseload Midwifery Team</u> <u>Referral Form</u>

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6	Hospital Number	DOB
	First Name	M / F
	Last Name	Religion
	Address	.GP
Í,	NHS Number	j

Contact Number
LMP/EDD
Referrer Details

Reason for Referral			
Severe diagnosed mental health problems. Recent psychotic episodes, schizophrenia, acute mental health, bipolar. History of attempted suicide or self-harm, depression diagnosed and treated by a health professional, under core of CMHT, not GP.	Safeguarding; Current children's social care involvement for complex issues, such as women in a refuge – family on a CP plan.		
Asylum seeker with complex health and social care issues	Teenager with complex issues		
Sexual Exploitation Trafficking	Diagnosed Learning Disabilities.		
Additional information	Problem Drug/Alcohol use.		

#### Agencies Involved – please provide names and contact details

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#### Consider referral to:

Single point of Access (mental health) 01282 6657116

Healthy Minds 01282 657268

Blackburn WISH Centre 01254260465

Burnley Womens Refuge 01282 414130

Pendle Womens Refuge 01282 661661

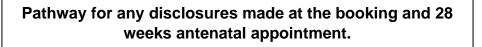
Children's Social Care (where appropriate) 01254 666400 (BwD) / 03001236720(HRV)

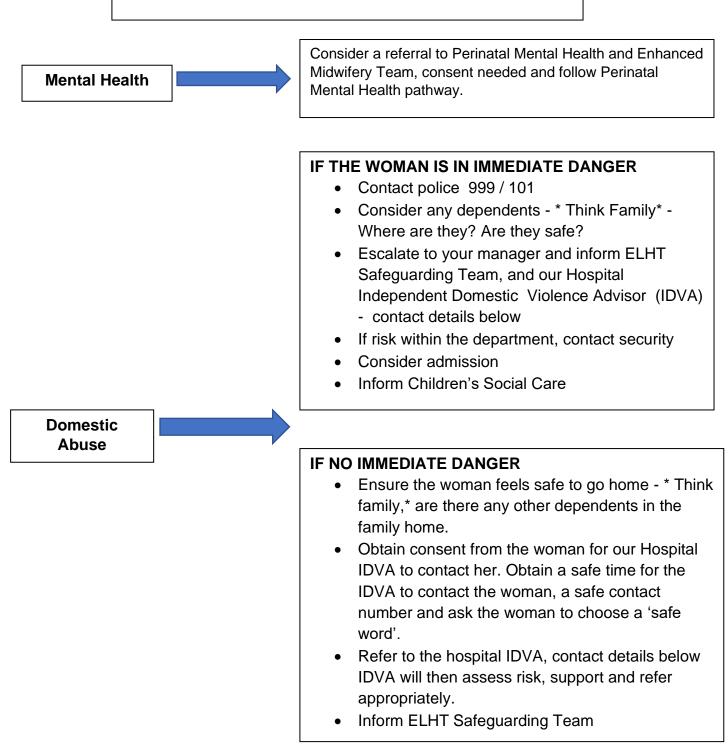
Local Children's Centre

Local Womens Centre

Louise Slater Midwife substance use team (BwD/HRV) 07711177293

Elizabeth Maddran Midwife substance use team (BPR) 07507839057





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## IF THE WOMAN IS IN IMMEDIATE DANGER

- Contact police 999 /101
- Consider any dependents \* Think Family\* Where are they? Are they safe?
- Escalate to your manager and inform ELHT Safeguarding Team, and our Hospital Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) – contact details below
- If risk within the department, ring security
- Consider admission
- Inform Children's Social Care

Sexual Abuse

## IF NO IMMEDIATE DANGER

- Ensure the woman feels safe to go home \* Think family \*, are there any other dependents in the family home.
- Obtain consent from the woman for our Hospital ISVA to contact her. Obtain a safe time to call, a safe contact number and please ask the woman to choose a 'safe word'.
- Then refer to the hospital ISVA by telephone and referral form. ISVA will then assess risk, support and refer appropriately.
- Inform ELHT Safeguarding Team

IF A FAMILY MEMBER REFUSES FOR THE WOMAN TO BE SEEN ALONE THIS IS A RED FLAG. CONTINUE WITH THE APPOINTMENT, INFORM THE SHIFT CO-ORDINATOR, SO THEY CAN SUPPORT AND A FOLLOW UP CALL TO ELHT SAFEGUARDING TEAM AFTER TO DISCUSS. NEVER USE FAMILY MEMBERS / FRIENDS TO TRANSLATE, PLEASE USE THE PREFERED METHOD ADVOCATED BY THE TRUST E.G. LANGUAGE LINE. IF THE WOMAN DISLCOSES ANY OTHER INFORMATION SHE DOES NOT WANT TO DISCUSS IN FRONT OF HER PARTNER, IF THE WOMAN FEELS SAFE, OFFER ANOTHER ANTENATAL APPOITNMENT TO SEE THE WOMAN ALONE.

#### USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

POLICE – 999 / 101 ELHT SAFEGUARDING TEAM – 01282 803125 PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH TEAM – 01282 804012 IDVA – 07899 682092 / 01254 732848 – email - <u>safeguarding-adults\_alerts@elht.nhs.uk</u> ISVA - 07584218596 / 01282 803125 – email - bfwh.isva.eastlancs@nhs.net

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