

FOR THE FAMILY

YOUR REFERRAL TO NOAH'S ARK CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

Your child has been referred to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice. If you are unaware of this or no longer consent, please discuss with the referrer.

We support children who live within our core catchment area of Barnet, Camden, Enfield, Haringey, Herts Valley and Islington. We are now also able to consider referrals for children living in north west London.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

All referrals are given careful consideration on receipt. If the referral is for Emergency, End of Life or Post Death care we will respond urgently and contact you directly. All other referrals will be considered at our next multidisciplinary panel meeting which will be within two weeks.

If we have all the information needed to make a decision of acceptance promptly, we will allocate a Family Link Worker who will contact you to arrange a home visit to start the Assessment process.

In order to process your referral, we may need to seek further information from medical professionals involved with your child's care such as consultants, your GP etc. It may therefore take longer before a decision is made.

WHAT IF MY CHILD IS NOT ACCEPTED?

Sadly, we cannot offer support to every baby, child or young person referred to us. Our primary focus is on those babies, children or young people who meet our criteria. If your child is not accepted, we may be able to suggest other services you can consider contacting.

You are free to speak to us at Noah's Ark Children's Hospice to ask us to reconsider a decision if you think there are factors we may have overlooked. Re-referrals are welcome at any time, should your child's condition change. If you have any questions, please contact us on: **0208 449 8877** or email noahs.referrals@nhs.net

REFERRALS FOR URGENT/END OF LIFE OR POST DEATH CARE

Referrals for Urgent, End of life or Post Death Care through Noah's Ark Children's Hospice can be directed to the 24/7 Nurse on-Call number: 020 3994 4134 or the Nurse in-Charge mobile: 07713 071116. Both phone numbers will be answered 24 hours a day by a Registered Nurse who can advise on the referral immediately or plan a call back following discussion with the on-call Referral Panel Members within 12 hours.

Urgent enquiries or referrals can also be emailed to noahs.nurses@nhs.net. This inbox is checked daily by a Registered Nurse and a member of the Care Team will respond as soon as they are available within 24 hours.

Referrer, please give
this page to the family



REFERRAL FORM FOR ALL CARE SERVICES

REFERRAL TYPE:

Routine Urgent admission End of life Post death care Bereavement support

Noah's Ark Children's Hospice accepts children between the ages of 0-19 years based on the following criteria, in line with guidelines used by all Children's Hospices.

GROUP 1	Life threatening conditions for which curative treatment may fail e.g. cancer, irreversible organ failure.	
GROUP 2	Conditions where premature death is anticipated but intensive treatment may prolong life e.g. complicated cystic fibrosis, HIV.	
GROUP 3	Progressive conditions without curative treatment options where treatment is exclusively palliative e.g. Batters disease, mucopolysaccharidoses	
GROUP 4	Conditions causing severe neurological disability leading to susceptibility of health complications and likelihood of premature death e.g. severe cerebral palsy, multiple disabilities following brain or spinal cord insult. Group 4 children may need to undergo further assessment if eligibility is not clear using this criteria.	
GROUP 5	Current resident on Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Specialist Maternity Services- Referral to Music Therapy Service.	
GROUP 6	Post Bereavement Support during the 3 year period following the death of a child.	

CHILD'S DETAILS

Child's Last Name:

Child's First Name:

Child's date of birth:

Age:

Male

Female

Family Address:

Postcode:

Tel No:

Email:

CONSENT TO REFERRAL AND TO SEEK & SHARE INFORMATION

For those unable to consent and children under 16:

I, the parent/guardian, give consent to the referral. Yes No

For young people aged 16 years or above:

Does the young person have capacity to consent to the referral? Yes No

If so, has consent been given to the referral? Yes No

In order to provide safe and effective care, Noah's Ark Children's Hospice will need to obtain or share your child's up to date personal details, and general medical & social care information, including clinic letters, copies of prescriptions (FP10), emergency care plans and advance care plans from other professionals including (but not limited to) schools, community teams, GPs, hospitals, local authorities and/or clinical commissioning groups.

I, the parent/guardian, give permission for Noah's Ark Children's Hospice to seek & share health and social care information as outlined above. Yes No

Please note that by making this referral it may be necessary for us to request further medical information as necessary.

MEDICAL DETAILS

Child's NHS Number:

Borough:

Diagnosis:

Please specify all medical conditions and care needs:

Date diagnosed (approximate):

Is the condition: Life threatening? Life limiting?

Likely prognosis:

Current phase of illness – please check one box:

Stable Unstable Deteriorating Dying Unknown Deceased

ADVANCED PLANNING

Have any Advance Care planning discussions taken place? Yes No

Please attach ACP or supply further details:

Is there a resuscitation/Respect document in place? Yes No

Please attach. (If not, what discussions have taken place?)

Is there a Symptom Management Plan? Yes No
Please attach.

Please give a brief description of how you feel Noah's Ark can help the child and family referred.
Please include any additional information you feel would be helpful with this referral.

Is there anything Noah's Ark need to be aware of before making contact with the child/family?!

Who or what prompted you to make this referral?

SAFEGUARDING

If there are safeguarding concerns, please give brief outline:

Is there a Symptom Management Plan? Yes No

Please tell us if the child subject to any of the following:

Child Protection plan

Child in Need plan

Care Order

Child Arrangements Order

Special Guardianship Order

Child in Care; by voluntary agreement (s.20)

PLEASE DETAIL CURRENT CARE PACKAGE:

Social care:

Continuing healthcare:

Allocated social worker + Tel Number:

Community Matron:

Short breaks allocation

Care package hours; nights:

Overnights allocation:

Care package hours; nights:

Personal budget; Direct payments:

Personal health budget:

Has a continuing Care Assessment been completed in the last year?	Yes	No
Are the family accessing all of their package?	Yes	No
Any breakdown in the package?	Yes	No

Which services at Noah's Ark do you think would help this child/family?

Family Link (advocacy, emotional support, etc.)

Family Days (days out for the whole family)

Parent Groups (facilitated peer support for parents)

Sibling Groups (activities for siblings aged 6-18 yrs.)

Noah's Ark Children's Group (activities for the child being referred on this form)

Home Support Volunteer (regular weekly visits for social, befriending or practical support)

Specialist Care (short breaks in the community)

Specialist Play (structured play - also offered to siblings)

Therapies (Music, art or drama and movement sessions - also offered to siblings)

Post Death Care at The Ark or in Community

Bereavement Support 3 years

PROFESSIONAL'S DETAILS

Name of Professional	Role	Address	Tel No and Email
	Main consultant Specialist		
	Keyworker Social Worker		
	Health Visitor		
	Community Nursing Team		
	Therapist (SLT/ Occupational/Physio/ Play/Music/CAMHS)		

GP DETAILS

GP Name	Name & Address of GP Surgery	Telephone No, Fax and Email

SCHOOL DETAILS

Contact Name & Position	Name & Address of School	Telephone No and Email

PARENTS/CARER DETAILS

Last Name	First Name	Title	DOB	Relationship to child	Do they have parental responsibility?
					Yes No
					Yes No
Details of share care arrangements (if applicable)					

PARENTS/CARER DETAILS

Last Name	First Name	DOB	Sex
			Female Male
			Female Male
			Female Male
			Female Male
			Female Male

What languages are spoken in the home?

Is an interpreter required? Yes No

REFERRER'S DETAILS

Full name: _____ Role/Relationship to child: _____

Address: _____

Postcode _____ Tel No: _____

Email: _____

Date of referral: _____

How did you hear about Noah's Ark?

Already working in partnership

Local professional networking

Noah's Ark Presentation

Noah's Ark Fundraising Event

Family or Friend

GOSH crèche/music therapy service

Other, please state: _____

Please note that in order for us to process this referral the consent questions on the front page must be answered AND this form signed by both the referrer and parent/carer below.

Referrer's signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Carer's signature: _____

Date: _____

Please send the completed form to us by post, fax or email. If you are emailing outside of the nhs.net network, please note that this is not secure so please password protect the sent documents and send the password in a separate email.

Post: **The Ark, Byng Road, Barnet, EN5 4NP** | Email: noahs.referrals@nhs.net

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