

The Independent Maternity Review - Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

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Update Newsletter

Purple Letters—Why have you not received one?

This past month we have received quite a few emails from families already involved in the Review who were concerned that they had not received a purple letter. Please be assured that this is not a cause for concern –the purple letters were sent to families who had been identified as being within the Terms of Reference for our review, but who we were not already in contact with or we had not already heard from.

As all of you had already joined the review / we were already in contact with you, you did not need to receive a 'purple letter' telling you about the review.

I hope this clarifies the situation for you for everyone who is unsure - the review will continue to progress as planned for you and your family with no changes.

What is happening with my review?

Over the coming months each of your cases will be allocated to one of our clinical review teams, which consists of obstetricians and midwives. They will also be able to request specialist opinions from anaesthetists, neonatologists, cardiologists, geneticists, sonographers and others if they feel it is necessary for your case.

At this stage, we cannot say when exactly your case will be reviewed. Our review team are current working members of other NHS Trusts across the whole of England and the time they have available to review cases depends on their day to day clinical commitments.

After the publication of our report, which we anticipate will be in September 2025, we will be able to share individual family feedback with you, either in writing or via a zoom call. We will provide you with more information about family feedback in the coming months.

This Month's Support Charities

Sands United FC Nottingham

Sands United is a unique way for bereaved men to come together through sport, building a community and support network, enabling bereaved fathers (no matter how long ago their baby died) to talk about their grief and experiences as father when they are ready. If you would like to know more, please get in contact with Raj @sands_utd_notts or email Raj on raj_chagger@hotmail.com. Raj explained to Donna that Sands United FC is made up of "bereaved dad's first and footballers second" and that they "always find time to support and look out for one another".

MASIC

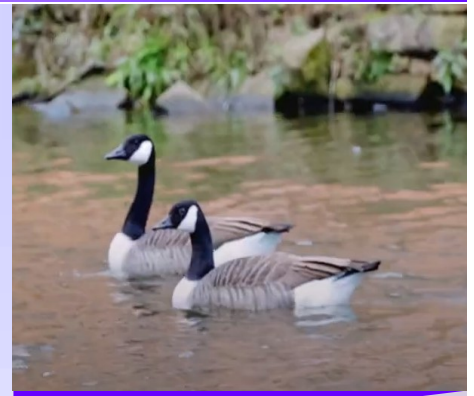
The MASIC Foundation is the only multi-disciplinary UK charity to support women who have suffered severe injuries during childbirth known as OASI (Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injuries). The Charity is run by injured women and health care professionals who are committed to better detection and prevention of injury during childbirth.

You can find out more about MASIC at <https://masic.org.uk/>

Support Me CIC

Support Me CIC is a charity based in Nottingham is a grassroots organisation run by Anna and Manisha – both Minority Ethnic mothers – who are providing emotional and practical support to Polish-speaking and Muslim parents from pregnancy and beyond.

You can find out more about Support Me: <https://supportmecic.com/>



Family Support

The Family Psychological Support Service (FPSS), available for all families, can be contacted via email on rentpts.fpss@nhs.net or by calling 0115 200 1000.

If it helps, you can email us on support@donnaockenden.com and we can refer you to the service.

How you will hear from us

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