NEWSLETTER

The Independent Maternity Review | Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust

REVIEW UPDATE

Since the Review started in September 2022, 2,021 families have joined the Review. We have now held 262 individual family meetings.

As you will already know, most of our communications with Review families is via email. We receive family contact details from the Trust through the 'open book' process where they inform us of families who meet the terms of reference. We know that some families' contact details may have changed between the time that their experience occurred and today. Please email nottsreview@donnaockenden.com with your contact details so that we are able to keep in touch with you with any updates, invitations, and towards the end of the Review for Family Feedback.

Next Family Meeting: Saturday 1st February A 'Save the date' will be sent

soon.

If you require an interpreter for family meetings, or translated versions of any communications - please let us know as soon as possible.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH - WINSTON'S WISH

We are always looking for different ways to support families who are part of the Review. November's Charity of the Month is Winston's Wish.

Winston's Wish is a charity that helps children, teenagers and young adults (up to the age of 25) find their feet when their worlds are turned upside down by grief. Through information, on-demand services, bereavement support and counselling, we support young people across the UK to understand their feelings, process their grief and find ways to move forward with hope for a brighter future. We also help the adults who are caring for young grieving people including parents, school staff and healthcare professionals.



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UPDATES TO THE REVIEW STRUCTURE

In September 2023, NHS England (who commissioned the Review) changed how families could join the Review, from 'opt-in' to 'opt-out'. This means that, rather than opting-in to join the Review, families are now automatically enrolled and have the option to opt-out. This change has allowed more families affected by the Trust's maternity care to participate in the Review, without needing to give active consent.

All families will be moved to the new opt-out model. This change will unify the two models, improving administrative efficiency and ensuring all families receive equal treatment under a single model.

Families do not need to do anything. The Review will continue to handle your case with utmost care in accordance with our professional obligations, the Review's Terms of Reference and in line with our <u>privacy notice</u>. For information, please <u>contact us</u>.