

Government of Western Australia North Metropolitan Health Service Women and Newborn Health Service



Notification of new, updated and withdrawn guidelines March 2025

Obstetrics and Gynaecology Directorate

For any queries related to Obstetrics and Gynaecology Directorate Guidelines, please contact <u>kemhsqp@health.wa.gov.au</u>

Anaesthetics

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Nil

Community Midwifery Program (CMP)

Nil

Obstetrics and Gynaecology

Intrapartum Fetal Scalp Blood Sampling

- Guideline content amended in accordance with, and in anticipation of, the 2019 RANZCOG guideline currently under review and due for publishing late 2025.
- Content removed regarding consultant discussion for women with sepsis or significant meconium. No current data to suggest this affects results. Edits made in alignment to reference 6 which supports clean sampling.
- COVID19 contraindication removed.
- Interpretation ranges amended to match FIGO guidelines reference 2 small change in upper and lower category limits.
- Management aligned to FIGO guidelines reference 2.
- Procedural steps rationalised as medical staff must be credentialed to undertake FBC sampling. Also noting FBS should be performed in left lateral if possible to maintain blood flow to the placenta. If technically difficult it may be necessary to perform in lithotomy.

Outpatient Transfer from Home to Hospital (Under VMS / MGP / CMP Care)

- Major content update and streamline, new layout- Read guideline
- Change of Guideline title from "Transfer from home to Hospital (VMS / MGP / CMP)"
- In a Code Blue medical emergency status, feedback from a Midwifery Group Practice community based PN CIMS, advice provided to contact KEMH switchboard on (08) 6458 2222 and request the on-service Neonatologist rostered for SCN2



Palliative: Niki t34 Syringe Pump: Continuous Subcutaneous Infusion Management

- Content reviewed and updated
- Additional advice under key points: 'Note: If a staff member is unfamiliar with the operation of this pump they should refer to this clinical guideline and receive instruction and guidance from an experienced staff member when receiving care of a patient with Niki pump.'
- Photos of the syringe and tubing system added within the content

Withdrawal: Drug and Alcohol Withdrawal [NEW]

- First version. WNHS Safety and Quality recommendation to update guidelines to align more to contemporary state policy and national standards, to better inform WNHS staff on AoD withdrawal during pregnancy.
- This guideline is a key deliverable as part of the 0062/17 Alcohol and Other Drug Withdrawal Management Mandatory Policy compliance, the HSP must have "Developed and implemented clinical protocols" to manage symptoms of withdrawal from AoDs.
- Content benchmarked to national and state guidelines.
- Pharmacotherapy content provided with quick reference guides and guides for alcohol and other drug withdrawal medicine safety in pregnancy and breastfeeding.
- Anticipated development of new WNHS MR forms and quick reference guide links; anticipated to be published and updated into this Guideline in near future.

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| WNS Osborne Park Hospital | [Access through HealthPoint - intranet] |
| Nil | |

Withdrawn guidelines

- 1. Central Venous Pressure (CVP) Measurement [Mar 2025]
- 2. Non-Invasive Prenatal Test (NIPT): Screening for Fetal Aneuploidy [Mar 2025]
- 3. Fetal Compromise (Acute): Management if Suspected [Mar 2025]- refer instead to content moved into Fetal Heart Rate Monitoring Guideline

Other departments- Updated procedures

Child and Adolescent Health Service (CAHS)- Neonatology guideline updates

For changes to <u>neonatology</u> and <u>neonatology postnatal ward</u> guidelines, refer to the right hand side of the <u>neonatology</u> guideline hub page.

Sir Charles Gairdner Osborne Park Health Care Group (SCGH / OPH) guideline updates

Some guidelines at KEMH and / or OPH link to SCGH guidelines for non- obstetric / gynaecology topics (e.g. TPN, stoma, wound, bowel care). Refer to <u>SCGOPHCG updates</u> if relevant.

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