

Derbyshire Vulnerable Women or Girl Pregnancy Pathway 2016-19

This pathway works in conjunction with the Derby and Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Board – Pre-birth Protocol. Any child protection concerns for the unborn baby or for other children in the family should be referred to Children Social Care as soon as this is identified in line with local safeguarding policy and procedures

- Best practice to discuss:**
- Safe sex practice
 - Consider nature of relationship with sexual partner
 - Provide signposting & support to contraception provider
 - Chlamydia screening

Vulnerable women or girl (VWoG) pregnancy suspected or known

Confirm pregnancy and discuss options

Booking appointment with community midwife
 *Assess need for Intensive Home Visiting Service

12 weeks – scan at hospital

Check Point
 16 week midwife appointment

- Identify vulnerability including complex social factors and consider referral to:
- Substance misuse – specialist midwife
- Mental Health – specialist midwife
- Learning difficulties – LD specialist

20 weeks – anomaly scan at hospital

Check Point
 24-25 weeks midwife

- Consider preparation of patient for parenthood
- Consider home & safety requirements
- Levels of engagement with specialist services

31 weeks midwife appointment

Check Point
 34 weeks midwife appointment

- Consider preparation for parenthood
- Consider home & safety requirements
- Engagement with specialist services

36-41 weeks
 Fortnightly meeting with midwife contact

Birth

Post-natal care

Midwifery Care transferred & discharge

Midwife to refer all girls less than 20 years to Intensive Home Visiting Service (IHVS)

Midwife to inform IHVS of midwifery assessment and of any specialist midwife referral

Midwife and IHVS discussion/assessment

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Midwife informs IHVS of the birth

Midwife handover to IHVS

Midwife to inform GP and 0-5 Public Health Nurse (PHN) of pregnancy

GP informed of pregnancy

Midwife and PHN discussion/assessment

PHN antenatal visit & discussion/assessment with midwife and GP

Birth Notification

Midwife handover PHN

Monthly Primary Care safeguarding liaison meeting with GP, Health Visitor & Community Midwife regarding any concerns or issues

