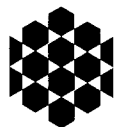


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Dear Colleague

MULTI PROFESSIONAL INTEGRATED CARE PATHWAY FOR MENINGITIS AND SEPTICAEMIA IN CHILDREN

I wish to draw your attention to a multi-professional care pathway for meningitis and septicaemia for children. This was developed by clinicians in the Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children (copy enclosed).

The care pathway was endorsed by the Specialist Advisory Committee (SAC) for Paediatrics in October 2005 and it was agreed that all units in Northern Ireland should be using it in the care of children with meningitis and septicaemia.

I would be grateful if you could ensure that this recommendation is implemented within your Trust.

Yours sincerely

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