

Identification of Hypoglycaemia in Babies <37/40 on the Postnatal Wards

NameUPIDate of birth Time of birth

All babies <37/40 are at risk of hypoglycaemia and require blood glucose monitoring. Please use this flowchart for their monitoring and management.

1. Dry baby.
2. Skin to skin and cover. Keep warm.
3. First feed within 1hr. Ensure baby feeds effectively, if baby doesn't, give EBM/formula and inform neonatal team

Date.....Time.....
 Type.....mLs/mins.....
 Temp.....Sign.....

4. Do first BG at 3 hrs of age and follow guideline below. Babies who don't receive good 1st hour care are more likely to get cold, hypoglycaemic and need NNU admission

Hand held glucometers are not always accurate and should not be used.



