FLOW CHART FOR A BABY WITH A DIAGNOSIS OF CLEFT LIP / CLEFT PALATE

DIAGNOSIS OF A CLEFT LIP AND/OR PALATE

REFER BY PHONE TO THE WELSH CENTRE FOR CLEFT LIP AND PALATE
TEL:- 01792 703810
MONDAY-FRIDAY 9am-5pm
WEEKENDS AND BANK HOLIDAYS ARE ALSO COVERED BY AN ON-CALL SPECIALIST NURSE

COMPLETE REFERRAL FORM AND SEND TO
SBU.cleftenquiries@wales.nhs.uk

ANTENATAL DIAGNOSIS

SPECIALIST CLEFT NURSE WILL AIM TO MAKE CONTACT WITH THE ANTENATAL MOTHER BY PHONE WITHIN 24 HOURS AND ARRANGE TO VISIT AT A CONVENIENT TIME TO GIVE ADVICE ON CLEFT CARE AND MANAGEMENT.

A FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL WILL BE MADE TO THE ANTENATAL MOTHER ONE MONTH PRIOR TO THEIR DUE DATE

BIRTH

SPECIALIST CLEFT NURSE WILL AIM TO VISIT WITHIN 24 HOURS OF REFERRAL TO ASSESS FEEDING, MAKE A MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SUPPLY BOTTLES FOR THE BABY. THEY WILL ALSO GIVE ADVICE ON CARE AND MANAGEMENT, ALONG WITH WRITTEN INFORMATION FOR PARENTS / CARERS.

BABY WILL NEED A REFERRAL TO A NAMED PAEDIATRICIAN, REFERRAL FOR AN ECHOCARDIOGRAM AND IF CLEFT IN PALATE, REFERRAL TO AUDIOLOGY AND OPHTHALMOLOGY

BABY CAN BE DISCHARGED HOME WHEN FEEDING ESTABLISHED, DISCHARGE DISCUSSED WITH SPECIALIST CLEFT NURSE AND CARE PATHWAY AGREED WITH ALL PROFESSIONALS.