

NOAH'S ARK

children's hospice

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POST-DEATH CARE





WHO CAN BE CARED FOR POST-DEATH AT NOAH'S ARK?

We can provide care for new-borns, babies, children and young people up to 18, after they have died, either at home or at The Ark. This includes children who were not known to Noah's Ark during their life, and those who died unexpectedly or suddenly through accident or illness.

We can also care for stillborn babies born after 24 week of pregnancy. If a baby is stillborn following a diagnosis during pregnancy ('foetal anomaly'), we may be able to offer care earlier than 24 weeks. In these circumstances we would ask the parent or referrer to call us to have a discussion with a Noah's Ark nurse in advance.

The following services are available:

- Bereavement bedrooms with cold blankets and cuddle cots
- Designated family accommodation enabling families to stay close to their child, to visit and care for them after their death
- Family support, including advice on registering the death, arranging the funeral, and sourcing funding
- Bereavement support for the whole family, including creative therapies and 1-to-1 emotional support
- Opportunities to create keepsakes and complete memory work and crafts
- Sibling support from Specialist Play and Family Activities Team

ABOUT NOAH'S ARK CHILDREN'S HOSPICE

Noah's Ark Children's hospice helps babies, children and young people who have life-limiting or life-threatening conditions, and their families, make the most of every day.

Our staff and trained volunteers provide clinical, emotional and practical support for families across north and central London, as well as Herts Valley.

Our support is carefully adapted for every child and is offered wherever it is required – whether in their home, their community or at our state-of-the-art children's hospice building, The Ark, in Barnet.



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