Stabilisation of the critically ill child: Stabilisation questionnaire

A. Introduction

What is this study about?

The aim of this study is to identify good practice and areas for improvement in the quality of care provided to children and young people who are critically ill and require stabilisation; and to review the impact of delivering that care on staff and parent carers.

Inclusions

Patients aged 0 to 16th birthday, who require stabilisation in any location (including the emergency department, on the general ward etc.) during a hospital admission.

Who should complete this questionnaire?

This questionnaire should be completed by the clinician who was responsible for the care of the patient at the time of stabilisation. Please do not include any patient identifiers in the free text boxes

Definitions

A list of definitions can be found here: https://www.ncepod.org.uk/pdf/current/Stabilisation/Definitions.pdf

Questions or help

If you have any queries about this study or this questionnaire, please contact: stabilisation@ncepod.org.uk or telephone 020 7251 9060.

CPD accreditation

Consultants who complete NCEPOD questionnaires make a valuable contribution to the investigation of patient care. Completion of questionnaires also provides an opportunity for consultants to review their clinical management and undertake a period of personal reflection. These activities have a continuing medical and professional development value for individual consultants. Consequently, NCEPOD recommends that consultants who complete NCEPOD questionnaires keep a record of this activity which can be included as evidence of internal/self directed Continuous Professional Development in their appraisal portfolio.

About NCEPOD

The National Confidential Enquiry into Patient Outcome and Death (NCEPOD) reviews healthcare practice by undertaking confidential studies, and makes recommendations to improve the quality of the delivery of care, for healthcare professionals and policymakers to implement. Data to inform the studies are collected from NHS hospitals and Independent sector hospitals across England, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Offshore Islands. NCEPOD are supported by a wide range of bodies and the Steering Group consists of members from the Medical Royal Colleges and Specialist Associations, as well as observers from The Coroners Society of England and Wales, and the Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP).

Impact of NCEPOD

Recommendations from NCEPOD reports have had an impact on many areas of healthcare including: Development of NICE Clinical Guidelines for Acute Kidney Injury (CG169), published 2013 – 'Adding Insult to Injury' (2009).

Development of ICS Standards for the care of adult patients with a temporary Tracheostomy, published 2014 – 'On the right trach?' (2014).

Development of guidelines from the British Society of Gastroenterology: diagnosis and management of acute lower gastrointestinal bleeding, published 2019 – 'Time to Get Control' (2015).

Development of the British Thoracic Society's Quality Standards for NIV, published 2018 – 'Inspiring Change' (2017).

Development of NHSE Children and young people's cancer service specification - 'On the Right Course?' (2018)

Development of the Centre for Perioperative Care Guideline for Perioperative Care for People with Diabetes Mellitus Undergoing Elective and Emergency Surgery, published 2021 - 'Highs and Lows' (2018) Update to NICE 'Transition from children's to adults' services' Quality Standard (QS140), updated 2023 - 'The Inbetweeners' (2023)

Update to NICE 'Endometriosis: diagnosis and management' guideline (CG73), updated 2024 – 'A long and painful road' (2024)

Development of the GIRFT Children and Young People: Testicular torsion pathway, published 2024 – 'Twist and Shout' (2024)

This study was commissioned by The Healthsare Quality Improvement Partnership (HQIP) a

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B. Clinician details & structured commentary

1a. Grade of clinician completing the quest	tionnaire
Consultant	
Specialty and associate specialist (SAS)	
Senior Clinical Fellow	
Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8	3 or equivalent)
Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5	•
Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivaler	•
Advanced clinical practitioner	,
O Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)	
Registered nurse (band 5-6)	
O Unknown	
G GIMANOMIN	
If not listed above, please specify here	
1b. Specialty of clinician completing the qu	uestionnaire
() Specialist paediatrician	○ General paediatrician
Anaesthetics	Paediatric critical care medicine
Critical care medicine	Critical care outreach
Paediatric emergency medicine	Emergency medicine
General medicine	Unknown
O General medicine	O dikilowii
If not listed above, please specify here	
comments or information you feel relev	brief summary of this case, adding any additional vant. You should be assured that this information importance to this summary. Please give as much of this patient.
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C. Patient details

To be included in the study, the patient must have received stabilisation care during this admission. If this patient did not require stabilisation during this admission, please return this questionnaire to your Local Reporter (hand your assignment back) who will notify NCEPOD

а.	Age at admission	n:		
			Years 🔲 Unkn	own
	Value should be no me	ore than 16		
	Was the patient	t less than two years of	f age at admission?	
	○ Yes	O No	Unknown	
	lf answered "Ye Age in months	es" to [1b] then:		
			Months Unkn	own
	Value should be no me	ore than 23		
		es" to [1b] then: t less than one month o	of age at admission	
	○ Yes	O No	Unknown	
	lf answered "Ye Age in days	es" to [1b] and "Yes" to	[1d] then:	
			Days Unkn	own
	Value should be no mo	ore than 31		
	 Sex			
	○ Male	Female	○ Other	() Unknown
		_		
	Asian/Asian B Mixed/Multiple Unknown	Caribbean/Black British ritish (Indian, Pakistani, Bae ethnic groups e, please specify here	angladeshi, Chinese, oth	er Asian)
 	Did the patient	have any communicati	on difficulties? (Please	e tick all that apply)
	O Yes	○ No	O Unknown	· ···· ······ ····· ···· · · · · · · ·
	•	es" to [4a] then:	•	
		se? (Please tick all that	apply)	
	☐ Neurodiversity☐ Unable to ans	- '	odiversity - parent carer (Language barrier
	Please specify an	y additional options here		
	- p - 5 y 5,	<u>, </u>		
		have any learning diffi tions: https://www.ncepod		
	∩ Yes	∩ No	∩ Unknown	,,

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O Yes	○ No	(Unknown	
7. Did the patient h	nave any phys	ical disability?		
O Yes	O No	(Unknown	
3. What was the di	agnosis prior t	to stabilisation?	,	
a. Did the patient h	nave any como	orbidities?		
O Yes	○ No	(Unknown	
b. If answered "Yes What were these				
Cardiac		☐ Respiratory		■ Neurological
Metabolic		Malignancy		Developmental difficulties
☐ Mental health	condition (Unknown		
Please specify any	additional option	ons here		
0. Is this the first t	ime the patier	nt has required	stabilisation	prior to this admission?

D. Hospital details

1. What type of hospital is this? (Where the p	atient arrived)
 A stand alone tertiary paediatric centre A tertiary paediatric centre in a Trust/Health A University Teaching Hospital A District General Hospital Unknown 	Board that also treats adults
If not listed above, please specify here	
2a. Does this hospital have: (Please tick all tha	at apply)
 A paediatric intensive care unit (PICU) A paediatric high dependency unit (PHDU) Other critical care area Unknown 	An adult critical care (ICU)An adult high dependency unit (HDU)None of the above
2b. If answered "Other critical care area" to [2a If other critical care area, please specify	a] then:

E. Arrival and admission details

1. Was this patient	t:		
O A patient who	was unstable on arrival to the deteriorated in the emergenc tho deteriorated on the ward		nt
a. What was the da	ate of arrival at this hospit		
		Unknow	vn .
b. What was the time of arrival at this hospital?			
		Unknow	ın
equivalent e.g.,	ment how was acuity defin local triage scale)? enet.net/classroom/	ed using the Mancho	ester Triage System (or
O Red (1)	Orange (2)	Yellow (3)	Green (4)
O Blue (5)	O Unknown	_	-
If not listed above	, please specify here		
	d (1)" to [3a] then: reviewed by a senior decis	sion maker (ST4+) fo	ollowing triage?
O Yes	○ No	Unknown	
4. Where was the	patient first seen on arriva	l at this hospital?	
	ergency department in the res ergency department any avail		
•	partment in the resus room		artment any available bed
•	essment unit (CAU)	O Surgical admiss	
Medical admis Specialist page	diatric surgical ward	•	ric surgical ward
	diatric surgical ward diatric medical ward	General paediatGeneral adult su	
	lt surgical ward	General adult m	_
	It medical ward	O Unknown	realear wara
If not listed above	, please specify here		
5. Mode of arrival			
	a the emergency department	- brought in by ambula	anca
_	a the emergency department		
111 referral	a and amongoney department	a.ougem by purchy	
GP referral			
•	another hospital		
O Unknown	·		
If not listed above	, please specify here		
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	Unknown	
If answered "An inpatient who deteriorated on the ward" to [1] then: Time of admission		
	Unknown	
. If answered "An inpatient who deterion Where was the patient first admitted?		
O Children's assessment unit (CAU)	Surgical admissions unit (SAU)	
Medical admissions unit (MAU)	 General paediatric surgical ward 	
 Specialist paediatric surgical ward 	 General paediatric medical ward 	
 Specialist paediatric medical ward 	General adult surgical ward	
Specialist adult surgical ward	General adult medical ward	
 Specialist adult medical ward 	Theatre	
O PHDU/HDU	○ ICU/PICU	
Not applicable - not admitted	O Unknown	
If not listed above, please specify here		
 If answered "An inpatient who deterior was the patient reviewed by a consul- 	tant within the 12 hours prior to deterioration?	
○ Yes ○ No	O Unknown	

F. Escalation of care 1a. Was an early warning score used to escalate care? Unknown Yes (No 1b. If answered "Yes" to [1a] then: What score was used? ■ NPEWS ☐ PEWS ☐ Local early warning score ☐ Unknown 1c. Was Martha's Rule (or equivalent) used to escalate care? Unknown Yes O No 2a. Was the patient discussed with critical care (this could include PICU/ICU; PCCOT/CCOT, transport team, neonatologist, critical care colleague in another organisation): (please tick all that apply) ☐ Prior to stabilisation During stabilisation Once the patient was stable ☐ Unknown ☐ No 2b. If answered "Prior to stabilisation", "During stabilisation" or "Once the patient was stable" to [2a] then: Were there discussions with: (please tick all that apply) ☐ Paediatric intensivist - onsite □ Paediatric intensivist - off-site ☐ Adult intensivist - onsite ☐ Adult intensivist - off-site ■ None of the above Paediatric critical care transport team ☐ Unknown Please specify any additional options here... 2c. If answered "Prior to stabilisation", "During stabilisation" or "Once the patient was stable" to [2a] then: Was it easy to access this advice? Yes O No Unknown 2d. If answered "Prior to stabilisation", "During stabilisation" or "Once the patient was stable" to [2a] then: Did a member of the critical care team come to review the patient? Yes O No Unknown 2e. If answered "No" to [2a] then: If not, why not?

G. The stabilisation process 1. Was a '2222 (medical emergency call)' initiated for this patient? Unknown Yes (No 2. Where did the patients condition deteriorate? O Deteriorated prior to arrival Paediatric emergency department in the resus room O Paediatric emergency department any available bed Adult emergency department in the resus room Adult emergency any available bed O Children's assessment unit (CAU) Surgical admissions unit (SAU) Medical admissions unit (MAU) General paediatric surgical ward Specialist paediatric surgical ward General paediatric medical ward O Specialist paediatric medical ward General adult surgical ward Specialist adult surgical ward General adult medical ward Specialist adult medical ward Unknown If not listed above, please specify here... 3. Where did the initial stabilisation of the patient taken place? O Paediatric emergency department in the resus room Paediatric emergency department any available bed O Adult emergency department in the resus room Adult emergency any available bed Children's assessment unit (CAU) Medical admissions unit (MAU) Surgical admissions unit (SAU) General paediatric surgical ward Specialist paediatric surgical ward O Specialist paediatric medical ward General paediatric medical ward General adult surgical ward Specialist adult surgical ward General adult medical ward Specialist adult medical ward O PHDU/HDU Theatre Unknown If not listed above, please specify here... 4a. Which specialty clinicians were involved with the IMMEDIATE stabilisation of the patient? (Please tick all that apply) ☐ Paediatric emergency medicine ☐ Emergency medicine ☐ General paediatric medicine ☐ Paediatric intensive care medicine ☐ Adult intensive care medicine ☐ Surgery Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions

Anaesthetics Critical care outreach nurse - paediatric trained ☐ Critical care outreach nurse - adult trained Operating department practitioner ☐ Unknown Please specify any additional options here...

4b.	If answered "Paediatric emergency medicine" to [4a] then: If PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
4c.	If answered "Emergency medicine" to [4a] then: If EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Answers may be multiple)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown Please specify any additional options here
4d.	If answered "General paediatric medicine" to [4a] then: If GENERAL PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here

If answered "Paediatric intensive care medicine" to [4a] then: If PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
Please specify any additional options here
If answered "Adult intensive care medicine" to [4a] then: If ADULT INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
Please specify any additional options here
If answered "Surgery" to [4a] then: If SURGERY, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
Please specify any additional options here

4h.	If answered "Medicine" to [4a] then: If MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Pl	ease tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or ed) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or ed) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown 	quivalent)
	Please specify any additional options here	
4i.	If answered "Anaesthetist with regular paed of ANAESTHETIST WITH REGULAR PAEDIATRI (Please tick all that apply) Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or ed) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or ed) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Unknown	C SESSIONS, please specify the grade(s) quivalent)
	Please specify any additional options here	
4j.	If answered "Anaesthetics" to [4a] then: If ANAESTHETICS, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or ed) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or ed) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Unknown	quivalent)
	Please specify any additional options here	
5a.	Which specialty clinicians were involved wit (Please tick all that apply)	h the ONGOING stabilisation of the patient?
	Paediatric emergency medicine General paediatric medicine Adult intensive care medicine Medicine Anaesthetics Critical care outreach nurse - adult trained Unable to answer Please specify any additional options here	 □ Emergency medicine □ Paediatric intensive care medicine □ Surgery □ Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions □ Critical careoutreach nurse - paediatric trained □ Operating department practitioner

5b.	If answered "Paediatric emergency medicine" to [5a] then: If PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant
	Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS)
	Senior Clinical Fellow
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
	Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)
	Registered nurse (band 5-6)
	☐ Unknown
5c.	If answered "Emergency medicine" to [5a] then: If EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Answers may be multiple)
	Consultant
	Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS)
	Senior Clinical Fellow
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
	Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)
	Registered nurse (band 5-6)
	☐ Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
5d.	If answered "General paediatric medicine" to [5a] then: If GENERAL PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant
	Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS)
	Senior Clinical Fellow
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
	Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)
	Registered nurse (band 5-6)
	Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here

5e.	If answered "Paediatric intensive care medicine" to [5a] then: If PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
5f.	If answered "Adult intensive care medicine" to [5a] then: If ADULT INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
5g.	If answered "Surgery" to [5a] then: If SURGERY, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here

5h.	If answered "Media If MEDICINE, pleas		n: ide(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Senior Clinical Fe Resident doctor/s Resident doctor/s Resident doctor (Advanced clinica Specialist nurse (Registered nurse	specialist trainee (S specialist trainee (S (below ST3 or equiv I practitioner (bands 7-9) e (band 5-6)	ST6-8 or equivalent) ST3-5 or equivalent) valent)
	Please specify any a	dditional options he	ere
5i.		NITH REGULAR P	ular paediatric sessions" to [5a] then: AEDIATRIC SESSIONS, please specify the grade(s)
	_		
	Resident doctor/s	•	ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Please specify any a	dditional options he	ere
5j.	If answered "Anae If ANAESTHETICS,		then: ne grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	☐ Consultant☐ Specialty and ass☐ Senior Clinical Fe		rade (SAS)
	_	•	ST6-8 or equivalent)
	_	specialist trainee (S (below ST3 or equiv	ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Unknown	below 313 of equit	valent
	Please specify any a	dditional options he	ere
6a.	With the benefit o this patient?	f hindsight, were	the appropriate people involved in the stabilisation of
	O Yes	O No	○ Unknown

Did the child b	ave an advanced care p	olon in place?	
Yes		O Unknown	
. If answered "Yo Was this follow	es" to [7a] then: red?	_	
O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
. Was there a dis	scussion with parents/o	carers regarding ceiling o	of treatment?
O Yes	O No	O Unknown	Not applicable
. With the benef	it of hindsight, were the patient was deteriora	nere any missed opportur ating?	nities to recognise the
O Yes	O No	Unknown	Not applicable
	es" to [9a] then: ther details		

H. Interventions during stabilisation

Airway & breathing

1. What respirator	y support was used? (Pl	ease tick all that apply)
Oxygen via m	irway (e.g. Laryngeal mask	Oxygen via nasal cannulae High flow humidified oxygen airway) CPAP Tracheostomy Unknown
Intubation		
2a. Did the patient	require intubation?	
O Yes	O No	O Unknown
2b. If answered "Ye Was intubation		
O Yes	O No	Unknown
2c. If answered "Ye Was intubation	s" to [2a] and "Yes" to [3 successful?	2b] then:
O Yes	O No	Unknown
	s" to [2a] and "Yes" to [3 t moved to a different ar	2b] then: ea of care for the intubation?
O Yes	O No	Unknown
	s" to [2a] and "Yes" to [3 patient moved to?	2b] and "Yes" to [2d] then:
O Paediatric into	ergency department ensive care unit h dependency unit	Emergency departmentIntensive care unitHigh dependency unitPaediatric wardOther
	s" to [2a] and "Yes" to [3 n of the intubation appro	
O Yes	O No	Unknown
If intubation success	ful	
	s" to [2a] and "Yes" to [3 clinician intubated the p	2b] and "Yes" to [2c] then: patient
Senior ClinicaResident doctResident doctUnknown	associate specialist grade (I Fellow for/specialist trainee (ST6-8 for/specialist trainee (ST3-5 e, please specify here	or equivalent)

		[2a] and "Yes" to [2b] ian intubated the pati		
	Paediatric emergenceGeneral paediatric notAdult intensive careAnaestheticsUnknown	nedicine	Ŏ	Emergency medicine Paediatric intensive care medicine Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions Operating department practitioner
	If not listed above, pleas	se specify here		
	If answered "Yes" to Was an appropriate s	[2a] and "Yes" to [2b] ize tube available?	and	"Yes" to [2c] then:
	O Yes	O No	0	Unknown
2j.	If answered "Yes" to If NO, why not?	[2a] and "Yes" to [2b]	and	"Yes" to [2c] and "No" to [2i] then:
	If answered "Yes" to Was the tube:	[2a] and "Yes" to [2b]	and	"Yes" to [2c] then:
	O Cuffed	Uncuffed	0	Unknown
				"Yes" to [2c] then: led intubation attempts prior to
	O Yes	O No	O	Unknown
If ir	ntubation required but no	ot performed		
2m.		[2a] and "No" to [2b] t uired but not performe		: hy not (please give further detail)
lf ir	ntubation was performed	but not successful		
				"No" to [2c] then: ch specialty clinician attempted the
	☐ Paediatric emergence☐ Paediatric medicine☐ Adult intensive care☐ Anaesthetics☐ Unknown			Emergency medicine Paediatric intensive care medicine Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions Operating department practitioner
	Please specify any addit	ional options here		

20.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Paediatric emergency medicine" to [2n] then: If PAEDIATRIC EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
2p.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Emergency medicine" to [2n] then: If EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
2q.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Paediatric medicine" to [2n] then: If PAEDIATRIC GENERAL MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
2r.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Paediatric intensive care medicine" to [2n] then: If PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here

25.	medicine" to [2n] then: If INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
2t.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions" to [2n] then: If ANAESTHETIST WITH REGULAR PAEDIATRIC SESSIONS, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
2u.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "Anaesthetics" to [2n] then: If ANAESTHETICS, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply) Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Unknown Please specify any additional options here
2v.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] then: Was an appropriate size tube available? Oreo One
2w.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] and "No" to [2v] then: If NO, why not?
2x.	If answered "Yes" to [2a] and "Yes" to [2b] and "No" to [2c] then: If intubation was attempted but not successful, please give any further details

3.	Prior to deterioration	was central access in	situ?
	O Yes	O No	○ Unknown
4a.	Was intravenous (IV)	or intraosseous (IO) ac	cess obtained?
	○ Yes	○ No	O Unknown
4b.	If answered "Yes" to [How many lines were	4a] then: put in place? (Please t	ick all that apply)
	☐ Intraosseous access ☐ Central line	☐ Peripheral IV x1 ☐ Unknown	Peripheral IV x2 Peripheral IV 3+
	Please specify any additi	ional options here	
4c.	If answered "No" to [4 Were attempts made		
	○ Yes	O No	O Unknown
4d.	If answered "No" to [4 Did this delay transfe	la] and "Yes" to [4c] th r to critical care?	en:
	○ Yes ○ Unknown		NoNot applicable - not transferred to critical care
5a.	Did the patient receiv	e CPR?	
	○ Yes	O No	O Unknown
5b.	If answered "Yes" to [Which specialty clinic		ease tick all that apply)
	Critical care outreach	nedicine	 □ Emergency medicine □ Paediatric intensive care medicine □ Surgery □ Anaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions ed □ Operating department practitioner
	Unknown		
	Please specify any additi	ional options here	
5c.	If PAEDIATRIC EMERG apply) Consultant Specialty and associated as	ate specialist grade (SAS) cialist trainee (ST6-8 or economics or equivalent) actitioner and 5-6)	quivalent)
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	f answered "Yes" to [5a] and "Emergency medicine" to [5b] then: f EMERGENCY MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
•	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
F	Please specify any additional options here
	f answered "Yes" to [5a] and "General paediatric medicine" to [5b] then: f GENERAL PAEDIATRIC MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
F	Please specify any additional options here
ı	f answered "Yes" to [5a] and "Paediatric intensive care medicine" to [5b] then: f PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown
F	Please specify any additional options here

	nswered "Yes" to [5a] and "Adult intensive care medicine" to [5b] then: NTENSIVE CARE MEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
_	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
_	Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6)
_	Unknown
Plea	se specify any additional options here
If S	nswered "Yes" to [5a] and "Surgery" to [5b] then: URGERY, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
	Consultant
_	Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow
_	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
_	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
_	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
	Advanced clinical practitioner
	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)
	Registered nurse (band 5-6)
	Unknown
Plea	se specify any additional options here
If M	nswered "Yes" to [5a] and "Medicine" to [5b] then: IEDICINE, please specify the grade(s) (Please tick all that apply)
_	Consultant
_	Specialty and associate specialist grade (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow
_	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent)
_	Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent)
	Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent)
_	Advanced clinical practitioner
_	Specialist nurse (bands 7-9)
_	Registered nurse (band 5-6)
	Unknown
Plea	se specify any additional options here

5j.	then:	ITH REGULAR PAED	thetist with regular paediatric sessions" to [5b] DIATRIC SESSIONS, please specify the grade(s)	
	Consultant Specialty and asso Senior Clinical Fel Resident doctor/s Resident doctor/s Resident doctor (b) Unknown	ociate specialist grade low pecialist trainee (ST6- pecialist trainee (ST3- pelow ST3 or equivale	a-8 or equivalent) a-5 or equivalent) ent)	
	Please specify any ad	ditional options here		
5k.	If ANAESTHETICS,	please specify the good	chetics" to [5b] then: grade(s) (Please tick all that apply) le (SAS)	
	Resident doctor/s Resident doctor/s	pecialist trainee (ST6- pecialist trainee (ST3- pelow ST3 or equivale	-5 or equivalent)	
	Please specify any ad	ditional options here		
6a.	Did the patient rec			
6b.	Yes If answered "Yes" t		○ Unknown	
	Were these deliver ☐ Peripherally	ed: (please tick all t Centrally	Unknown	
	Please specify any ad	ditional options here		
6c.	If answered "No" to If NO, why not?	(6a] then:		
7a.	Did the patient req O Yes	uire fluid resuscitat	Unknown	

7b.	If answered "Yes" to How much?	[7a] then:		
	O 10mls/kg O 50mls/kg	O 20mls/kg O >50mls/kg	○ 30mls/kg○ None	O 40mls/kg O Unknown
7c.	If answered "Yes" to Was electrolyte/gluc		ven?	
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
7d.	If answered "Yes" to Were blood products			
	O Yes	O No	○ Unknown	
8a.	Were antibiotics req	uired?		
	O Yes	O No	Unknown	
8b.	If answered "Yes" to Were they given?	[8a] then:		
	O Yes	○ No	Unknown	
8c.	If answered "Yes" to If NO, why not? (Plea			
	☐ Antibiotics not avai☐ Unknown	llable	piotics not prescribed	☐ Venous access not available
	Please specify any add	itional options here	2	
E	uipment			
_	Was all equipment re	oguirod available	.2	
Эa.	Yes	No No	Unknown	
9b.	If answered "No" to If NO, please give fu	[9a] then:	O simulomi	
10a	.Were there any prob	olems with the eq	uipment used?	

I. Outcome of stabilisation

1.	Was the patient admitted to critical care (either within this Trust/Health Board or within another Trust/Health Board)? Critical care locations include PHDU/HUD/PICU/ICU, and theatre if used as a holding area prior to transfer to critical care)
	 Yes - patient admitted to critical care in this (the stabilising) hospital Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another hospital in this Trust/Health Board Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another Trust/Health Board? No Unknown
	Please specify any additional options here
Tra	ansfers to critical care
2a.	If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in this (the stabilising) hospital" to [1] then: If the patient was admitted to critical care in this hospital, what level of critical care was the patient admitted to?
	Please specify the highest level of critical care received
	 Paediatric intensive care unit Intensive care unit Paediatric high dependency unit High dependency unit
	Theatre used as a holding area prior to transfer to critical careUnknown
	If not listed above, please specify here
2b.	If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in this (the stabilising) hospital" to [1] then: Was this:
	The definitive critical care destinationA place of holding during stabilisation before transfer to the definitive critical care destinationUnknown
2c.	If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another hospital in this Trust/Health Board" to [1] then: If the patient was admitted to critical care in another hospital in this Trust/Health Board, what level of critical care was the patient admitted to? Please specify the highest level of critical care received
	O Paediatric intensive care unit
	O Intensive care unit
	Paediatric high dependency unitHigh dependency unit
	Theatre used as a holding area prior to transfer to critical care Unknown
	If not listed above, please specify here
2d.	If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another hospital in this Trust/Health Board" to [1] then: Was this:
	The definitive critical care destination
	A place of holding during stabilisation before transfer to the definitive critical care destination

e. If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: If the patient was admitted to critical care in another Trust/Health Board, what level of critical care was the patient admitted to? Please specify the highest level of critical care received O Pandietric intensive care unit				
O Paediatric inten		O Intensive care unit		
Paediatric highUnknown	dependency unit	High dependency unit		
If not listed above,	please specify here			
then: If transferred to	critical care (PICU,IC	o critical care in another Trust/Health Board?" to [1] U,HDU) in another Trust/Health Board, please (please do not include any clinician details)		
then:	- patient admitted to nitive critical care de	o critical care in another Trust/Health Board?" to [1]		
O Yes	O No	Unknown		
and "No" to [2g] ⁻	If answered "Yes - patient admitted to critical care in another Trust/Health Board?" to [1] and "No" to [2g] then: If NO (not definitive destination), please give further details:			
 patient admitte patient admitted 	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI	o critical care in this (the stabilising) hospital", "Yes nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the		
 patient admitte patient admitted If transferred to 	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes -other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then:		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transformation Consultant Specialty and A	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI fer? associate Specialist (SAS	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transfer Consultant O Specialty and A Senior Clinical F	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI fer? associate Specialist (SAS	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transformation	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI fer? associate Specialist (SAS Fellow r/specialist trainee (ST6	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent)		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transferred to Consultant O Specialty and AO Senior Clinical FO Resident doctor O Resident doctor	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICU fer? associate Specialist (SAS Fellow r/specialist trainee (ST6 r/specialist trainee (ST3	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent) -5 or equivalent)		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transferred O Consultant O Specialty and A O Senior Clinical F O Resident doctor O Resident doctor O Resident doctor	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI fer? associate Specialist (SAS Fellow r/specialist trainee (ST6 r/specialist trainee (ST3 r (below ST3 or equivale	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent) -5 or equivalent)		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transferred to Consultant O Specialty and AO Senior Clinical FO Resident doctor O Resident doctor	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICI fer? Associate Specialist (SAS Fellow r/specialist trainee (ST6 r/specialist trainee (ST3 r (below ST3 or equivale cal practitioner	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes- other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent) -5 or equivalent)		
- patient admitted patient admitted If transferred to decision to transferred to decision dec	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICU) fer? Associate Specialist (SASFellow r/specialist trainee (ST3 r (below ST3 or equivalent equivalent (ST4))	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes - other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent) -5 or equivalent)		
- patient admitted If transferred to decision to transferred to decision of the decisio	d to critical care in a to critical care in an critical care (PICU,ICU) fer? Associate Specialist (SASFellow r/specialist trainee (ST3 r (below ST3 or equivalent equivalent (ST4))	nother hospital in this Trust/Health Board" or "Yes- other Trust/Health Board?" to [1] then: U,PHDU, HDU), which grade clinician made the 6) -8 or equivalent) -5 or equivalent)		

	 patient admitted to patient admitted to c 		hospital in this Trust Frust/Health Board?" t			
	O Paediatric emergend	cy medicine	Emergency medicir	ne		
	 General paediatric n 	nedicine	O Paediatric intensive	e care medicine		
	Adult intensive care	medicine	•	egular paediatric sessions		
	Anaesthetics		Unknown			
	If not listed above, pleas	se specify here				
Pat	tients not admitted to	o critical care				
	If answered "No" to [If not admitted to crit	1] then: tical care, what was the	e outcome of the stab	ilisation?		
		co a specialist paediatric w	•	I		
	•	to a specialist paediatric w	-			
	•	to a general paediatric wa				
		to a general paediatric wa	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
	•	to an adult ward in the sar	·			
	•	to an adult ward in anothe	•			
	Patient died	Patient remained on the ward they were stabilised on				
	O Unknown					
	O GIIKIIOWII					
	If not listed above, pleas	se specify here				
	then:	remained on the ward e	-	on" to [4] and "No" to [1] was the patient not		
		gh to be cared for on ward attempted stabilisation	O Patient for palliative O Unknown	e care only		
	If not listed above, pleas	se specify here				
	patients Was there discussion	with the parent/carer	about where the patie	ent would go once		
	stabilised?	_				
	O Yes	○ No	Unknown	Not applicable		

6b.	o. If answered "Yes" to [6a] then: Which grade clinician had that discussion?			
	 Consultant Specialty and associate specialist (SAS) Senior Clinical Fellow Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST6-8 or equivalent) Resident doctor/specialist trainee (ST3-5 or equivalent) Resident doctor (below ST3 or equivalent) Advanced clinical practitioner Specialist nurse (bands 7-9) Registered nurse (band 5-6) Unknown 			
	If not listed above, please specify here			
6c.	6c. If answered "Yes" to [6a] then: Which specialty clinician had that discussion?			
	 Paediatric emergency medicine General paediatric medicine Adult intensive care medicine Medicine Anaesthetics Critical care outreach nurse - paediatric trained 	Emergency medicinePaediatric intensive care medicineSurgeryAnaesthetist with regular paediatric sessions		
	Critical care outreach nurse - adult trainedUnknown	Operating department practitioner		
	f not listed above, please specify here			
7.	What was the outcome of this admission? O Patient discharged alive O Patient still an inpatient in the stabilising hospi O Patient died O Unknown	tal		

		J. Debriefing	
1. Did a hot debri	ief take place?		
O Yes	○ No	O Unknown	
2. Did a cold deb	rief take place?		
O Yes	O No	Unknown	

K. Audit

1a. Was the outcome of this patient discussed at a multidisciplinary review/audit/mortali meeting?				
	O Yes	○ No	O Unknown	
1b.	If answered "No" to [1 In your opinion, shoul	-		
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
1c.	If answered "Yes" to [1a] then: Were remediable factors in the care of this patient identified?			
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
1d.	If answered "Yes" to [What action was take	1a] and "Yes" to [1c] the second seco	hen:	
2.	Was a duty of candou	r completed in this cas	e?	
	O Yes	O No	○ Unknown	
3a.	Was a patient safety i	ncident declared in thi	s case?	
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
3b.	If answered "Yes" to [Was this investigated	-		
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	
3с.	If answered "No" to [3 In your opinion, shoul	-		
	O Yes	O No	O Unknown	

L. Overall

1a. In your opinion way?	. In your opinion, could the stabilisation care of this patient have been improved in any way?			
O Yes	O No	O Unknown		
1b. If answered "Yo Please give fur				
2a. In your opinion case?	, were there any poten	tial barriers to delivering stabilisation care	in this	
O Yes	O No	O Unknown		
2b. If answered "Yo Please give fur				

M. Additional information 1. Please use this space should you wish to provide further details on any of the answers you have provided (please include the question number) Other data collection methods for this study include: A clinician survery: An anonymous online survey for completion by clinicians who provide care to children and young people who may require stabilisation during a hospital admission. A patient and parent carer survey: An anonymous online survey for completion by patients and parent carer sor patients who have previously required stabilisation during a hospital admission. 2a. If you would like any of the following to be sent to you, please indicate which information you would like, and enter your email address

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE

A link to the parent carer survey to help disseminate locally

☐ A link to the clinician survey

2b. Email address:

A copy of the report at publication

By doing so you have contributed to the dataset that will form the report and recommendations due for release in late 2026