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Antenatal Testing

- Women who decline should have the test re-offered at next visit or by 28 weeks gestation.
- Women attending un-booked should have rapid fast tracked HIV test.
- Fast track testing may be considered for infants of women who decline testing in antenatal period.
- Women at greater risk re-offer even if negative.
- Refer to a HIV Specialist for further counselling

BHIVA 2008

Missed Opportunities

- 20-30 UK born children tested positive each year to mothers who declined testing
- Sero-Conversion during pregnancy
- Tests not requested urgently
- Results missed or not repeated

Including Male Partners

- A feasibility study to ask male partners if they would accept a HIV test during the antenatal period - January 2012
- Outcomes:-
- Overwhelming support to be included for the sake of the baby,
- To feel safe
- Just to find out.

Management of HIV in Pregnancy



NICE/NSF Guidance For Maternity Services

- Clear unit policy for managing positive results
- Maternity Staff education is on-going
- Fast referral to appropriate professional
- Written information for patients
- Policy for management of HIV in pregnancy and for the neonate
- Woman centred care / Choice

Antenatal HIV Management

- Pre-Natal Diagnosis
- Commence Treatment 20 weeks
- Monitoring Viral Load CD4
- Side effects/Adherence Issues
- STI Screening
- Preparation for infant feeding
- Mode of delivery planning VBAC/ECV
- Care plan at 34 wks

Labour/Delivery

- Induction of labour/Membrane Sweep
- Forceps/Ventouse
- Fetal Blood Sampling
- Fetal Scalp Electrode
- Midwifery Led/ Home Birth
- Spontaneous Rupture of Membranes
- Use of IV AZT in labour /CS

Infant Feeding

- CHIVA Statement-Supported Breast Feeding
- No Breast Feeding with a viable alternative
- Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria
- Advise to breast feed 'exclusively'
- Harvest milk/donor milk
- Avoid nipple trauma/mastitis/thrush
- Wean at 1 month to formula milk
- Anti-retroviral medication during exposure
- Testing Schedule
- Trouble shooting

Baby Care

- **Single therapy /Triple therapy**
- **Day 1 HIV DNA blood test (paired sample with mothers blood)**
- **6 weeks and 12 weeks repeat HIV Test**
- **18 months antibody test**

Safeguarding Children

- HIV Specialist team Identified risk. and completes CAF
- 32 week MDT and case planning for the management of the baby.
- Further Assessment, legal advice and consideration for case conference
- Medication administered by Community Paediatric Nursing team
- If Parents not compliant with Nursing team, Legal Action : Emergency Protection Order
- Continue with care until 4 week treatment period has been completed

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