



The CHD Patient Journey



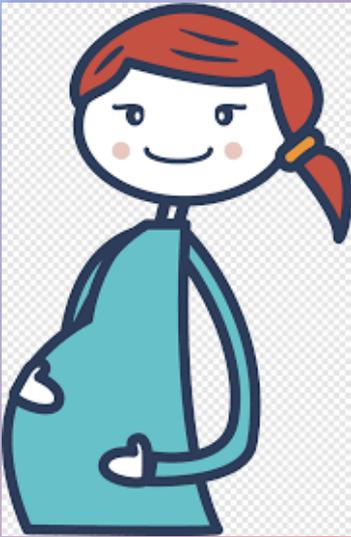
A Patients Surgical Journey



Ward 23 - Children's Heart Unit



Admission Route



Antenatal Diagnosis



Elective from local hospital/home

Supported by the Children's Cardiac Nurse Specialists (CCNS)



HDU

WARD 23



Surgery



HDU

2:1 Nursing care

Observations closely monitored and cardiac PEWS recorded

NBM and high risk feeding protocol commenced



If duct dependent cardiac defect, IV infusion of prostin given/continued. Central access at local hospital is preferable

Family centred care

Cardiac assessment and diagnosis confirmation





Ward 23

Pre-surgical work up

Accommodation



Visit PICU

Meet anaesthetist

Meet theatre family support



Post op care

Nutrition

Discharge Planning

Teaching

Wound care



Fluid Balance

Consider/manage
all other potential
post-op
complications

Family centred care

Physiotherapy
/mobilisation

Pain

