



Placing a Saturation Probe Teaching Package for Parents/Carers on the Neonatal Unit and Transitional Care

Patient details/Patient sticker

A separate sheet is needed for each care giver.

When Parents sign they are confirming that they have been shown how to perform placing a saturation probe, practised with supervision, accept responsibility and feel confident and competent to perform placing a saturation probe on their baby.

Discussion/demonstration with family	Nurse signature & date (when parent/carer training has been given)	Parent/Carer signature & date (when practised under supervision)	Parent/Carer signature & date (when feels confident and competent)
I have received, read and understood a copy of the Network Parent Information ' How to Place a Saturation Probe on the Neonatal Unit & Transitional Care '			
I have been shown the hand washing technique and use this prior to and after placing my baby's saturation probe. I will apply alcohol gel before I start the procedure			
It has been explained to me the importance of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parents being involved at care times • Responsive care • Comfort holding • How often and when to move the saturation probe • Any irritated or sore skin at or around the site of the saturation probe • Ensuring the probe is clean and undamaged 			
I have been given a demonstration of how to perform placing a saturation probe by the nursing staff including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathering all items needed • Approaching baby quietly, talking softly and touching gently • Ensuring that the skin is clean and dry before placing the saturation probe • Calming and comfort measures during and post placing the saturation probe • Which sites are best to place the saturation probe 			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to place the saturation probe • How secure it in place using a posy wrap, ensuring it is not too tight • How to check that the probe is picking up an accurate reading • How often to change the position of the probe 			
<p>I am able to gather the right equipment to perform placing a saturation probe on my baby:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturation probe • Posy wrap 			