

East Midlands

**Neonatal Operational Delivery Network** 

# January MORTALITY learning bulletin

### **BAPM Frameworks for Practice**

BAPM has a series of frameworks for practice for different aspects of neonatal care. The following was discussed: <u>Therapeutic Hypothermia for Neonatal Encephalopathy</u> British Association of Perinatal Medicine (bapm.org)

## **CFAM and Therapeutic Hypothermia Equipment**

Do you have this available on your unit? If not, we would encourage working with your LMNS to fund procurement of this equipment. The EMNODN education team can help with education sessions on its use if you would like this please get in touch.

### **Teratogenic Drugs in Pregnancy**

As women with more complex medical needs are choosing to have families making detailed enquiries of what medication they are taking and during which stages of pregnancy can be very important when prognosticating for the impact on the baby.

## **NEC Rates and the EMNODN Care Bundle**

NEC rates remain high in the East Midlands. Please take time to review the EMNODN care bundle: <u>EMNODN</u> <u>Guideline</u>.

If you would like support for business cases for implementation of elements of the bundle e.g. probiotics or donor EBM please get in touch with the Network team.

#### Pneumothorax - think do we need to drain?

If a baby is receiving positive pressure ventilation/support and has radiological evidence of a pneumothorax a lower threshold for draining may need to be considered to avoid evolution to tension.

## **MDT Discussions**

Prompt sharing of any MDT sessions with all stakeholders by secure email and storing of any discussions within patient notes.