



Congenital Anomaly

Name: _____

Date: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Diagnosis: _____

NURSING INSTRUCTION	NURSING ACTION
1. ASSIST WITH DIAGNOSIS OF CONDITION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Obtain accurate, detailed family history ▪ Plot genetic tree ▪ Examine baby fully for associated anomalies. Document clearly. ▪ Obtain genetics blood tube and ensure bloods are correctly sent to lab. for genetic studies
2. PROVIDE BASIC AND CONDITION SPECIFIC NURSING CARE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ See Neonate and individual care plans
3.. MAINTAIN PARENTAL SUPPORT See Guideline Parental Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inform, support and reassure parents at all times in a calm, patient and empathetic manner ▪ Provide genetic counseling ▪ Allow parents to grieve loss of a normal baby ▪ Encourage bonding ▪ Prevent feelings of guilt by providing accurate information and education re the condition ▪ Ensure ongoing follow up through genetics or paediatric outpatients ▪ Refer to support group if available
4. NOTIFY PROVINCIAL GENETICS CENTRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure Congenital Anomaly form is completed by MO ▪ Fax through completed forms to provincial centre monthly
5. PREPARE FOR TRANSFER TO REFERRAL HOSPITAL (if required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete transfer documents ▪ Notify receiving unit ▪ Organise ambulance transport and transport nurse if required