



Stabilisation of the critically ill child

- NCEPOD is undertaking a study to identify good practice and areas for improvement in the quality of care provided to patients **0-18th birthday** who are critically ill and require stabilisation; and to review the impact of delivering that care on staff, patients and parent carers
- Patients will be identified for inclusion between **1st October 2024 – 31st March 2025** via hospital patient administration systems and via paediatric critical care transport team records, where they were:
 - Admitted to critical care (level 2 (PHDU/HDU) or level 3 (PICU/ICU) care)
 - Seen in the Emergency Department and have one of the included SNOMED CT or OPCS codes (listed separately)
 - Transferred to another hospital
 - Discussed with a critical care/paediatric transport/retrieval team during stabilisation
 - Transferred by a critical care/paediatric transport/retrieval team
- **Additional data collection will include:**
 - Clinical questionnaires
 - Organisational questionnaires
 - Case note review
 - Patient, parent carer and clinician surveys
- **Clinical reviewers will be recruited for the peer review of case notes.** Please email: stabilisation@ncepod.org.uk for more information

More information available at: <https://www.ncepod.org.uk/Stabilisation.html>; email stabilisation@ncepod.org.uk or call 020 7251 9060.



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