

Discharge Information

Your child(name)

Attended the Paediatric A&E Department on(date)

Time of admission to A&E

Time of discharge from A&E

Medication prescribed for your child to take at home

| Medication | Prescribed for (days) | Amount to be taken | Route (e.g. oral, peg) | How many times a day |
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Name of Nurse discharging your child

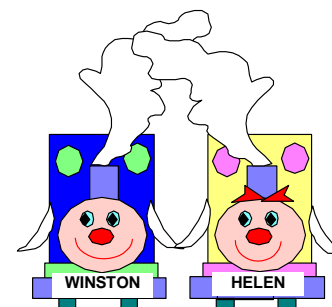
I have been given a full explanation of the discharge plan for my child and am happy to take him/her home.

Name of Parent/Carer (please print)

Relationship to child (please print)

Signature Date

Paediatric Department



Patient Information Leaflet

**Discharge Advice from the
Paediatric A&E Department
for Children with Complex
Health Needs and
Neurological Disorders**

**Whiston Hospital
Warrington Road
Prescot L35 5DR**

We know that as parents/carers of children with complex health needs and neurological disorders you are the best judge of your child's condition. We know from experience that this group of children can deteriorate rapidly and for this reason your child has only been discharged from hospital after their observations have been normal/or normal for them for a period of 4 hours. This is to ensure that their illness is resolving.

Medication given to your child in the Emergency Department Today

| Medication | Dose Given | Route (e.g. oral, peg) | Time Given |
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Medication prescribed for your child to take at home

When you are provided with the medicines by the doctor/nurse do not be afraid to ask if the medicine can be mixed with drink. It is also wise to ask if it's a tablet can it be crushed. If so, the medicine can often be mixed with a spoonful of yogurt.

Some important points to remember:

- Make sure you know what medicine to give your child and the time between doses.
- Always complete the full course of medicine provided.
- Never give your child's medicine to anyone else for whom it has not been prescribed.
- Never force a child to take medication as this will make it more difficult next time.

Follow up arrangements

We will arrange for your child to be reviewed by Paediatric staff following their discharge from A&E to ensure they continue to improve.

- You will receive a telephone call from a member of our Whiston Hospital Children's Community Nursing Team the day after discharge and a home visit may be arranged at the time of this phone call
- OR**
- You will be contacted by the Children's Ward with an appointment for a registrar review on the Children's Observation Ward.

We will also let our Complex Health Needs Co-ordinator know that you have attended the A&E Department

Useful Telephone numbers

If you are concerned about your child after discharge and need further advice please contact the Children's Wards:

Ward 3F 0151 430 1616
Ward 4F/CHObs 0151 430 1627
Paediatric A&E 0151 478 7589

For Emergency Help Dial 999

**Whiston Hospital Children's Community Nursing Team
 can be contacted on 0151 430 1542
 between 7.00 am and 10.00 pm.**