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Dear GPs

We feel it is important to inform you that the Gloucester Health Care Health Visiting service has been once again asked to support the pandemic through staff redeployment due to the recent major incident declared by Gloucestershire Hospital Foundation Trust.

As a result this will temporally impact on our service in the following ways:
Universal 6 -8 weeks will be undertaken on a virtual platform or via the telephone. Parents will be invited in to a COVID secure clinic for a weight review. Therefore unfortunately there will be no Head Circumference measured and recorded at 6-8 week for these babies.

Please be assured that the day 10 – 14 new birth visit will still be undertaken face to face in the home for the family health needs assessment to be completed, unless declined by the parent, where a virtual or telephone contact will be offered.

Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant Health Visting teams with any concerns you wish to discuss on the following numbers:

Gloucester 01452 895235 / Quedgeley 0300 421 6978 / Cheltenham 0300 421 6486 / Cotswolds 0300 421 6952 / Tewkesbury 0300 421 6166 / Stroud 0300 421 8967 / Vale 0300 421 8433 / Forest of Dean 0300 421 8746

The service will continue to prioritise our Safeguarding families, please contact your liaison Health Visitor for a virtual meeting & visit our Health Visiting website, where you will find up to date advice about the Health Visiting Service and information available to you.

<https://www.ghc.nhs.uk/our-teams-and-services/health-visiting/>

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Yours sincerely

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