

Management of Missed Fracture Reports - Full Paediatric Clinical Guideline – Derby only

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1. Introduction

The aim of the guideline is to minimise any delay in treatment caused by a missed fracture. Ideally all parents/ carers should be contacted within 48 hours of attendance to C.E.D. and the X - Ray report discussed.

2. Aim and Purpose

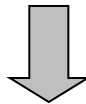
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3. Definitions

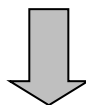
4. Main body of Guidelines

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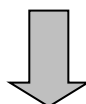
Reports should be reviewed daily by the senior Clinician or Emergency Nurse Practitioner



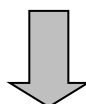
The EDIS notes of any missed fracture should be accessed. The X Ray report should be documented in Lorenzo and a clear decision made as to whether the report is clinically significant or not. This decision may need to be made after discussion with the senior clinician.



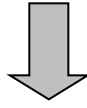
If it appears that the report needs any action or change of management plan the parent/ carer should be contacted to discuss.



At least 3 attempts in 48 hours should be made to contact the parent/ carer and all attempts should be documented on Lorenzo. These should be at different times of the day to account for schooling/ work etc.



If you are still unable to contact the parent/ carer a copy of the letter (Appendix 1) should be sent to the parent and a copy of the letter (Appendix 2) should be sent to the G.P.



This should be documented on Lorenzo and scanned into ICM.

5. Documentation Controls

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Contact for Review			Jane Gadie & Dr G Robinson	
Lead Executive Director Signature				

6. Appendices

- 1) Copy of letter to be sent to Parents
- 2) Copy of letter to be sent to GP

Derby Teaching Hospitals 
NHS Foundation Trust

Derbyshire Children's at the
Royal Derby Hospital
Uttoxeter Road
Derby
DE22 3NE

Dear Dr

Name:

DOB:

NHS Number

This child attended the Children's Emergency Department (CED) on the

with an injury to the:

The child was diagnosed as:

The child had an x-ray and whilst it was reported as normal at the time. It has since been reported as:

We have been unable to contact the parents to inform them of the report. We have sent them a letter and asked them to contact CED or the GP to discuss further.

If the child attends with you to discuss our recommended management plan would be as follows:

Yours sincerely

Children's Emergency Department

Derby Teaching Hospitals 
NHS Foundation Trust

Derbyshire Children's at the
Royal Derby Hospital
Uttoxeter Road
Derby
DE22 3NE

To the parent or guardian of

Hospital no:

Letter dated:

Your child recently attended the Children's Emergency Department with an injury.

We have been unable to contact you by telephone to discuss the findings of the x-ray report. This could be because your contact details have changed or there was no-one in when we called.

There is no need to be concerned as this is standard practice for some x-ray reports but if your child still has problems following their injury and you wish to discuss the result please contact either:

The Children's Emergency Department on 01332 786808 and ask to speak to one of the Emergency Nurse Practitioners or Consultants.

Or

Speak to your GP who should be able to access a copy of the x-ray reports.

If you think your contact details may have changed please ring CED on 01332 787843 and pass your new details onto the Receptionist.

Yours sincerely

Children's Emergency Department