

NPMR National Paediatric
Mortality Register



Information for families

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WHAT IS NPMR?

NPMR is a register of all children and young people under the age of nineteen years of age who die while in or living in the Republic of Ireland.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE NPMR?

The reason the NPMR collects data is to provide correct and current information on how and why children and young people die. This information helps to improve the quality of care and services aimed at preventing child deaths in the future.

HOW IS THE NPMR CARRIED OUT?

Specific data is securely collected from hospitals and other health services. It includes information that is collected during the normal care of children and young people such as the age, sex, the suspected cause of death and events at the time of death.

WHERE IS THIS DATA COLLECTION TAKING PLACE?

All hospitals and settings providing care to children and young people will be included on a phased basis.

HOW CAN I BE SURE THAT THIS INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL?

Strong safety and privacy rules are in place for the data entry and access to reports. Data is processed and stored in accordance with the information rules and oversight policies and the law.

HOW CAN I BE SURE THAT NPMR IS PROPERLY CARRIED OUT?

Staff are trained on how to conduct the notification in a standardised way. There is local and national governance in place for the register.



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WHAT IS THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF CLINICAL AUDIT (NOCA)?

NOCA was set up in 2012 to support national clinical audits of healthcare in Ireland. National clinical audits regularly look at different areas of care to see how well services are working and where improvements can be made. National clinical audits look at:

- how healthcare services are organised
- how care is provided
- the outcomes experienced by patients.

NOCA works with healthcare providers to help them understand and use this information so they can learn from it and improve patient care over time.

HOW CAN I ACCESS INFORMATION FROM NOCA?

NOCA's data access and information governance policy can be accessed on the [NOCA website](#).



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Please ask a member of staff about NPMR if you have any further questions.

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