

We are sorry for your loss and recognise that this must be a difficult time for you.

We understand that you, or your named representative, have chosen to collect your pregnancy remains and this leaflet is designed to support you with this.

Collection of pregnancy remains

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For pregnancy remains under 24 weeks of pregnancy, there is no legal requirement to involve the registrar or coroner with your private arrangements, but we do advise that you consider speaking with a funeral director for guidance.

Additional support

Information to support you can also be found through the following organisations:

National Association of Funeral Directors

0845 230 1343

**The Institute of Cemetery
and Crematorium Management**

020 8989 4661

The Natural Death Centre

01962 712696

Sands (stillbirth and neonatal death charity)

020 7436 5881

Environment Agency

0370 506 506

About your pregnancy remains

We have placed your pregnancy remains in an opaque and water-tight container and, if you have requested these, the paraffin blocks and glass slides will be packaged in a separate container. Please be aware that with early pregnancy losses, very little or no material remains after the histological blocks and slides have been made, however, we will return the pregnancy remains container to you.

This container should be kept in a cool, well ventilated place whilst you make your arrangements.

You, or your named representative collecting the remains (and histological blocks and slides if requested) will be asked to complete a material release form as the laboratory is required to have a clear audit trail of disposal of all tissue material and that you have taken this responsibility.

What if I have more questions?

If you have any further questions, please contact your clinician as they will be best placed to provide additional support.