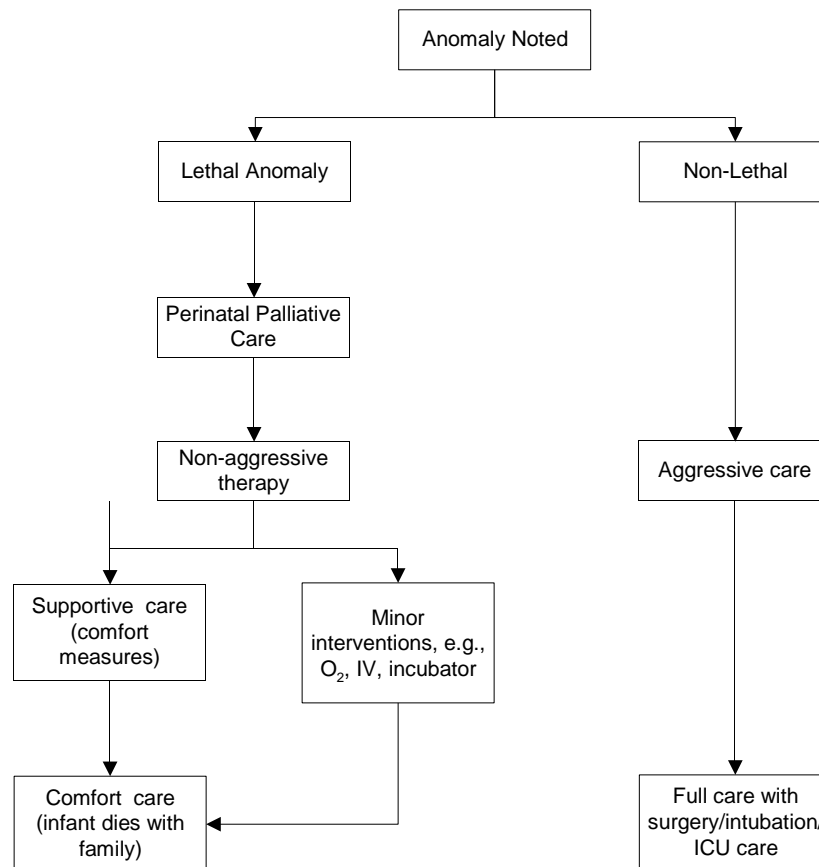


## PALLIATIVE CARE FOR NEWBORNS

### 1.0 PROTOCOL

1.1 Give the baby to the parents immediately, to allow them to share in the baby's life. These babies may live for only minutes, or for days.

1.2 Refer to the Perinatal Loss and Death protocol and the flow diagram below:



1.3 Provide comfort measures to the baby and parents, as needed.

- Nursing and Medical staff comfort the baby and parents.
- Keep the baby warm and encourage cuddling by parents or staff.
- Some babies may be fed.
- If the parents feel overwhelmed, keep the baby comfortable in a quiet section of the nursery.
- Advise the parents of the spiritual and emotional support available from the Social Worker and Chaplain.

**2.0 APPROVALS**

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