SUDI Checklist for Doctors

The following checklist ensures many of the practical tasks that medical staff may undertake after a SUDI. See also Key Points for Emergency Department Staff Involved in SUDI for the parent support aspects

Name
DOB
CHI Number               Affix patient ID label
Date

○ Document history and examination findings on proforma
○ Document all investigations and interventions whether successful or not
  - Endotracheal tube and cannulae can be removed but ensure position is confirmed and documented prior to removal
○ If samples taken as part of resuscitation attempt:
  - Label samples with “Freeze & Keep” stickers and send to lab
  - If already sent to lab, contact lab to arrange for samples to be kept
Do NOT take further samples after death

Ensure the following people have been contacted if not aware already:
○ Consultant on-call for Emergency Department
○ Procurator Fiscal
○ On-call Paediatrician (SUDI Paediatrician if available)
○ On-call Consultant Paediatrician for Child Protection after discussion with most senior doctor
○ Pathology Department - leave message on answer phone to inform them

Ensure the following people are informed the next “working” day
○ On-call Consultant Paediatrician for Child Protection (if not already contacted)
○ Child Protection Advisor
○ Any Consultant with on-going care for the child e.g. as an out-patient
○ Hospital Chaplain (even if declined to see chaplain previously)
○ Child’s GP

Name
Signed
Date