## **BSCP – Resilient Children, Resilient Families**

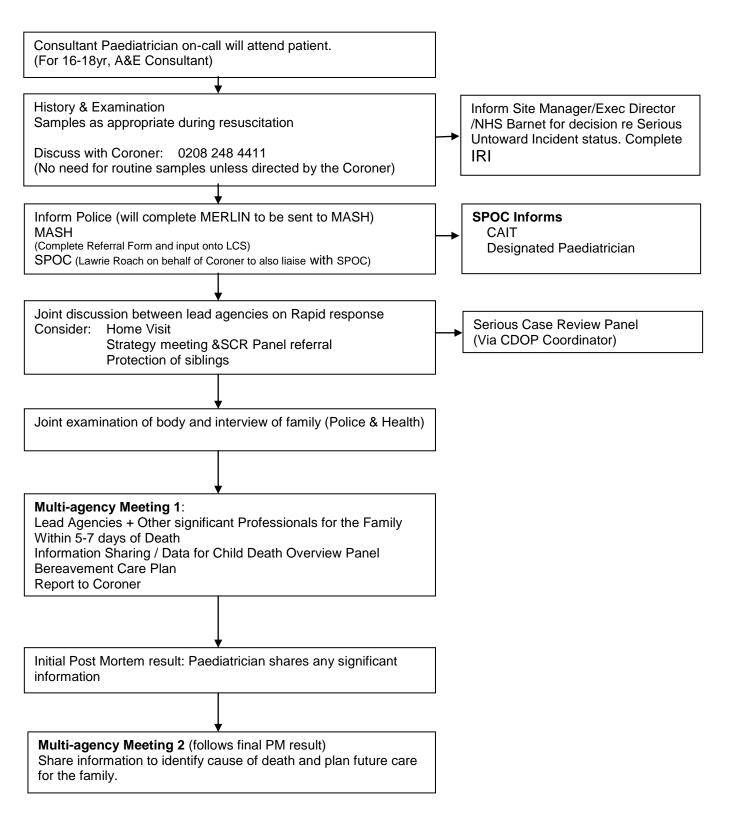
## Barnet Safeguarding Children Partnership Child Death Process

- 1. Working Together to Safeguard Children and the London Child Protection Procedures set out the processes to be followed when a child dies and should be read in conjunction with this summary process.
  - 1.1. There are two interrelated processes for reviewing child deaths:
    - a. A rapid response by a group of key professionals who come together for the purpose of enquiring into and evaluating each unexpected death of a child.
    - b. An overview of all child deaths (under 18 years) undertaken by a Child Death Overview Panel.
- 2. The Barnet Safeguarding Children Partnership (BSCP) has responsibility for
  - 2.1. Collecting and analysing information about each death with a view to identifying:
    - 2.1.1 Any case giving rise to the potential need for a Serious Case Review.
    - 2.1.2 Any matters of concern affecting the safety and welfare of children in Barnet
    - 2.1.3 Any wider public health or safety concerns arising from a particular death or from a pattern of deaths in Barnet.
    - 2.1.4 Putting in place procedures for ensuring that there is a coordinated response by BSCP constituent agencies / partners and other relevant persons to an unexpected death.
- 3. Flowchart A below is the Rapid Response to an unexpected death
- 4. Flowchart B below is the Child Death Overview Panel process
- 5. Appendix 1 gives the contact details for all involved professionals

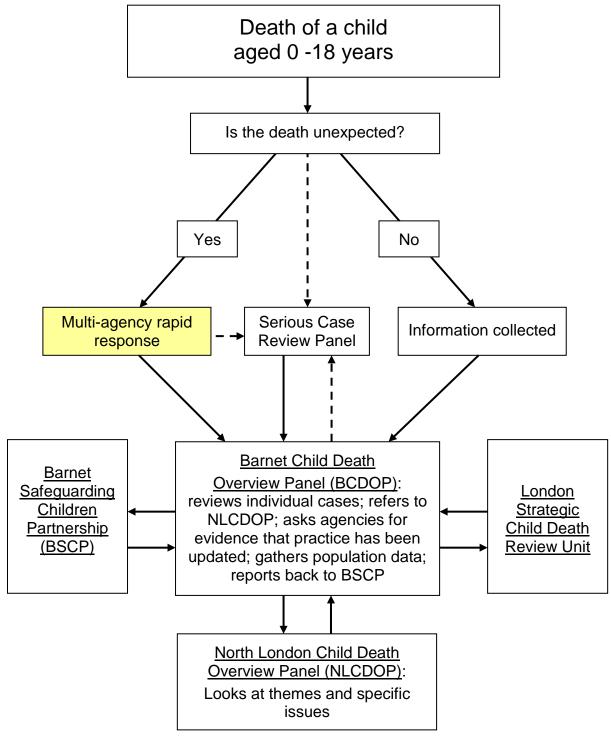
#### Flowchart A

# **Rapid Response Procedure for Unexpected Child Deaths**

**An Unexpected Death is** death that was not anticipated as a significant possibility 24hours before death



#### **Child Death Overview Panel Process**



#### Notes:

Dashed lines indicate criteria for Serious Case Review need to be considered. Dissemination of lessons learned built in at all stages

#### Appendix 1

**Contact Details** 

## **Child Death Overview Panel**

All notifications of a child death should be reported to the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for Barnet as follows:

Child Death Overview Panel Co-ordinator: **Tel**: 020 8359 3560 **Secure Email**: <u>Barnet.CDOP@barnet.gcsx.gov.uk</u>