

Following a Coroner's inquest in which a baby's death was attributed to late anaemia due to ongoing haemolysis secondary to maternal-baby blood group incompatibility, we have been asked by a coroner to remind members of the importance of this risk.

All maternity and neonatal units should follow [national guidance](#) for the management of neonatal jaundice.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, all babies with a positive direct antiglobulin test (DAT, DCT or Coombs' test) should be monitored for the development of anaemia, with both the GP and Health Visitor made aware of this risk.

For babies with a positive antiglobulin test, appropriate follow up arrangements should be in place at discharge from the neonatal or maternity unit, with a low threshold for re-checking the haemoglobin concentration.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg98>