

## What we can offer you:

- Support and care during your pregnancy
- Information about the effects of drugs on you and your baby during pregnancy
- Information on drug treatment options
- Counselling



## Antenatal Chemical Dependency Clinic

For pregnant women with drug and alcohol problems



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## A healthy pregnancy

Pregnancy is a time when many women begin to make important decisions about their drug use, lifestyle, diet and health.

Making positive changes to your lifestyle and drug use will improve your health and the well-being of your baby.

Our unit is staffed by a friendly and supportive team of health professionals who have an understanding of drug use and associated life issues.

We can offer you and your baby care in a supportive and non-judgemental environment.



## Our service provides:

- Specialist antenatal care including drug treatment options
- Psychological support
- Social work support
- Dietary advice
- Parent education
- Special Care Nursery support

## Questions often asked:

- What drug treatment options are open to me?
- Will drugs affect my baby?
- Will my baby have any drug withdrawal after the birth?
- What treatment is available if my baby withdraws?
- Can I breastfeed if I am Hepatitis C positive?
- Do drugs pass through breastmilk and will they harm my baby?
- Is it safe to breastfeed if I am on a drug treatment program?
- Can I have pain relief during labour?

We are able to answer these questions and any other queries you have about drug use and pregnancy.