

The Scottish Government has recently published the action plan Living and Dying Well- Building on Progress (2011). This action plan records the progress made towards achieving the aims of the first Living and Dying Well action plan (2008) and sets out a new phase of actions for health boards which includes specific actions and recommendations for the delivery of palliative care services to Children and Young People throughout Scotland.

Children and Young People in Scotland with palliative care needs are only now starting to benefit from a raised awareness of the services they require in order to achieve a high quality of life whilst living with a life limiting or life threatening condition and in particularly access to appropriate and timely, end of life care in a setting of their choosing.

The pathways and policies displayed below are the outcomes of work led by the Nurse Consultants for C&YP Palliative Care, members of the MCN for Children with Exceptional Needs, members of the Scottish Children and Young People’s Palliative Care Network (SCYPPN) and the Scottish Children and Young People’s Palliative Care Executive Group (SCYPPEX).

These pathways and policies provide guidance for all service providers of palliative care to children and young people throughout Scotland.

## A Pathway for Discharge Planning for a Child or Young Person with Palliative Care Needs



## A Care Pathway for Children with Exceptional Healthcare Needs



## The Resuscitation Planning Policy for Children and Young People (under 16 years)

## The Children and Young People’s Acute Deterioration Management Form

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