Contact Details of Secretaries for Adoption Medical

In order to request a child's pre-adoption medical please email the paperwork listed below directly to the Medical Advisors team (templates are attached) in order for them to complete your request.

- 1. Referral form including child's brief social history/background.
- 2. Copies of completed parental health forms (BAAF form PH)
- 3. Copy of Mother and Baby form (BAAF form MB) if the child has been born out of Bradford this can be obtained from hospital of birth.

Please call The Medical Advisors team to confirm which Medical Advisor is to be allocated, their numbers are Dr Kate Wildig 01274 365286, Dr Judit Imreh 01274 365825 and Dr Vidya Krishnan (PA Julie Archer) 01535 292422, once a Medical Advisor has been allocated then email the completed forms to the relevant email address below:

<u>J.Imreh@nhs.net</u> <u>Kate.wildig@nhs.net</u> vidyakrishnan@nhs.net

Please make sure that you include the date of the Child's Adoption Decision Meeting (SHOBPA) or Matching Panel date in the request form and please try to give at minimum of 6 weeks' notice. In order to fit these time scales items 1 and 2 can be emailed in the first instance with items 3 and 4 to follow ahead of the child's appointment. Please also indicate within the email whether this is a first pre-adoption medical or an update.

Doctors have stipulated that every appointment for the First/Initial Pre-Adoption medical should be attended by the social worker and birth parents in addition to the present carer of the child. The request for the social worker to be present is of paramount importance particularly in cases where there maybe the potential risk of parents being opposed to decisions being made around the future welfare of their child. It also helps ensure that the carer can leave the premises without the risk of possibly being followed and having the safety of their own family compromised. The presence of the birth parents, however, is **NOT** required for an **UPDATE** medical. As in most cases contact has usually ceased by the time the proceedings reach this point it would not be appropriate that they attend.

Please also ensure that in situations where there are siblings with different surnames that are placed with the same carer that the requests are sent in together, then the medicals can be completed on the one visit to our department.

Once the medicals are completed they will be returned to shobpa@oneadoptionwy.leeds.gov.uk. Please make sure a copy is then uploaded to the child's LA record.

If you have any questions, please get in touch.