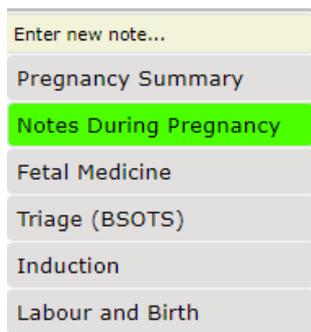


## How To Complete a Homebirth Home Assessment

1. Search for a patient using NHS number to ensure you are not using a duplicate record
2. Click onto **“Notes During Pregnancy”**



Enter new note...

- Pregnancy Summary
- Notes During Pregnancy**
- Fetal Medicine
- Triage (BSOTS)
- Induction
- Labour and Birth

3. Click on the red cross and select **“Smart Homebirth Home Assessment”**
4. You can then complete the full assessment, ensuring you complete all fields that apply.
5. Ensure to complete this form with all relevant information, including any additional notes at the bottom of the form. It will also require you to authorise this assessment with your username and password.
6. **Pre-Birth section** – Medical gases ordered will be done by community admin when you send the home birth request referral. Ensure to fill out anything relevant within this form. Post-birth can be completed by the midwives that attend the home birth.
7. Once this is complete, it may be appropriate to discuss the birth plan in conjunction with this assessment. You can do this by opening the **“Birth Plan”** within the **“Enter new note”**



Enter new note...

- Pregnancy Summary
- Notes During Pregnancy**
- Fetal Medicine
- Triage (BSOTS)

Search  X

**Woman Notes**

- Birth Plan (Create)
- Child Protection Birth Plan

8. The woman has the option from her Badger Notes app to complete some of this herself prior to the appointment. You will be able to see what she has written in her birth plan when you

load up the birth plan form. If the woman has started this, it will say **“Birth Plan Review”** rather than create.

Birth Plan

**CommunityN, Test (NHS: NOT RECORDED | Hospital Number: t008980)**  
 12 Oct 02 (Current Age: 20) | 76 Test Lane, NE3 3QJ | 07666666666 (mobile)  
 G2 P1+0 | LMP: 28 Aug 22 | Booked: 12 Oct 22 at 14:08 | EDD (Dates): 04 Jun 23 | Current Gest: 8+4 | Babies on scan: ? | Booking BMI: 35.38 | Current BMI: 35.38 | Blood Group: A+ | Hb at 6+3: 136g/L  
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**Birth Plan**

Date and Time: 27 Oct 22 at 12:01

Please feel free to record here your thoughts and plans for birth. This will be accessible by your midwife so that it can be discussed during your routine care or when you present for birth. If you are unsure of any of the questions below, please ask your midwife who can help.

**Labour and Birth**

I would prefer to give birth: In a birth center

My environment for labour and birth: I would like it to be quiet and calm

Induction of labour if I go past my due date: I would like to wait till after 41 weeks for my induction

9. Displayed above is a sample of a birth plan that has been started that you could use in conjunction with the woman. This form is especially important if a woman is birthing against guidance at home or has a specific birth plan.

10. Ensure the care plan is up to date with home as the intended place of birth. You can do this by searching within the **“Enter new note”** function for **“Care Plan”** and updating the place of birth if not done so already.

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**Care Plan**

Date and Time Started: 27 Oct 22 at 12:23 Gestation 8Weeks,4Days

Update Type:  At Booking  Change to Plan  At Birth  Postnatal

Reason for Change: Maternal preference

Hospital Community Midwife is Attached To: The Royal Victoria Infirmary Maternity (Newcastle)

Mother advised to book for maternity shared care:  Yes  No

Antenatal Care Type: Midwife Only

Intended Place of Birth: Home

11. Once the home birth assessment, care plan and birth plan are complete, ensure that you create a referral to community admin to inform them this woman wants a home birth. To do

this:

Enter new note...  
Pregnancy Summary  
**Notes During Pregnancy**  
Fetal Medicine  
Triage (BSOTS)

Search  X

**Woman Notes**

- Referral (Woman)
- Specialist Review

12. Use the “Enter new note” function to search for referral

13. Select “Home Birth Request Referral” and complete it in full. Ensure you enter a reason for referral and any additional notes. In the additional notes, you must write if the woman is wishing for a water birth or not so that information is easily available for admin, see the example below.

Referral Details  
Custom Referral

**Home Birth Request Referral**

Role of Referrer

Contact number and/or email address of referrer

Referral Accepted by Woman  Yes  No

Reason for Referral

Reason for Referral (Other)

Additional Notes

Referral Sent  Yes  No

14. Once you have saved and closed this, it will ask if you wish to see the referral. Click yes and the referral form will load for you.

15. Click “confirm and send” – this will need to be sent to the community midwifery admin so the gases can be ordered. Please ensure you also select all community team leads for this to be sent to.

16. It will then be the responsibility of the midwife who is on call to check the birth plan and risk assessment on BadgerNet. You can see all booked home births within the “Woman Lists” when searching for “Planned Home Births.”

If you require any further support or training, please email [Nuth.badgernetmaternitysupport@nhs.net](mailto:Nuth.badgernetmaternitysupport@nhs.net)



### Home Birth Assessment Checklist

- Search for woman using NHS address only
- Go into notes during pregnancy and open the “Smart Homebirth Home Assessment form”
- Complete assessment form in full
- Complete birth plan if not already done
- Update care plan to reflect “intended place of birth” as home
- Create home birth referral
- Ensure home birth referral additional notes are completed if the woman is wishing for pool delivery
- Send a home birth referral to community midwifery admin
- Send a home birth referral to community midwifery team leads
- If you are on call, ensure to check what home births are live and review the birth plan

### Attending a Home Birth and Fail Safe

**If you are unable to get BadgerNet to work whilst you are attending a home birth, please ensure that you:**

1. Revert back to using paper notes within the home birth bag
2. Ensure you return to the hospital after the home birth
3. Document into Badgernet retrospectively within the unit
4. Encounter the baby
5. Escalate if you are unable to complete certain aspects of the documentation before you leave
6. Arrange NIPE/Postnatal assessments for following day as usual

### Attending a Home Birth Checklist

- Ensure woman has been downloaded prior to leaving the hospital
- Ensure you have reviewed birth plan
- Collect bag and drugs
- Ask the woman if you are able to use her wi-fi connection to document
- Complete all intrapartum information on BadgerNet
- Complete birth registration within BadgerNet
- Encounter the baby via e-record
- Arrange postnatal visit for next day
- Arrange NIPE
- Communicate that NNBST stickers will need printing

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