

## Summary of Developmental Care Aids. SSBCN Network Meeting 12.9.18

Name of Company/Product	<p><b>Central Medical</b></p> <p>Bendy Bar          Kanmed Cot Hood          Memory Foam mattress          Phototherapy Nappies – range of sizes          Small Beginnings          Pillows/Wedges          Wonderstars          Diana Bed Buddys- 3Xsizes          Ultra Preemie Nappies</p>
Benefits of Positional Aids	<p>Disposable covers          Diana Bed Buddy has raised middle so babies legs can be positioned well</p>
Cost	<p>Bendy Bar - £100          Cot Hood - £196          Mattress - £75          Bed Buddy -£80-100          Pillows/wedges £8-15          Wonderstars £90</p>
Durability/Lifespan	<p>Wash well          Clean with Clinell Wipes</p>
Ease of Cleaning/Laundrying Infection Control	<p>Easily wiped clean          Disposable covers          Washable covers at 60degrees</p>
Training Required?	<p>Rep. will visit unit          Develop competency package according to unit requirements</p>
Comments	<p>Canopies are beneficial to NAS          Wonderstar product appears too heavy          Bed Buddies are expensive in comparison with other similar products, but are filled well and hold their position more effectively          Only company with cot mattresses/canopies          Ultra Preemie nappies offer tapered edges to avoid hip problems</p>
Useful Contact Details	<p>Tracey</p>

Name of Company/Product	<b>Phillips</b> Bendy Bumper Nests Prone positioner – memory foam Squishon/ Gel E – S,M,L Soothers/dummies Phototherapy goggles Freddie Frogs
Benefits of Positional Aids	Bumpers can be bent around baby for effective positioning Nests -No fastening for nests, as Velcro has been removed Freddy frogs are soft, flexible and not too heavy
Cost	Products competitively priced Will consider bulk Network purchase
Durability/Lifespan	Squishon re-usable Multi-patient use
Ease of Cleaning/Laundrying Infection Control	All can be washed on high temperature Reusable
Training Required?	Video training/links on offer Rep. will visit unit & develop competency package suitable to unit
Comments	Bumpers easy to use. Historical problem of metal bar breaking – resolved. Prone positioner -too soft for bigger babies. Nests only have one boundary -appear to offer less support Nests do go soft/misshapen after regular laundering Squishons provide good support Prone positioners have potential to split at the back Frog positioner to be used as such-NOT lay on top of the baby
Useful Contact Details	Pippa/Lisa

<p>Name of Company/Product</p>	<p><b>Inspiration</b></p> <p>Incubator Cover  Dandle Pal/Lion -bean bag boundary  Dandleroo 2 Nests  Head Gels  Prone Plus  Phototherapy goggles  Bilitex Blanket</p>
<p>Benefits of Positional Aids</p>	<p>DandlePal/Lion offers good positioning – NOT for babies to lie on</p> <p>Able to purchase Mixed Size boxes of the Dandleroo 2 Nests</p> <p>Incubator covers offer complete blackout</p>
<p>Cost</p>	<p>Incubator Covers - £220  Dandle Pal/Lion - £11.50  Dandleroo Nests £24-£28  Head Gels -£5.30  Prone Plus -£28 + £5 for covers</p>
<p>Durability/Lifespan</p>	<p>Gels are Officially Single Patient Use, but can be washed/cleaned and used in multi-patient capacity. Last 1-2 years</p> <p>Anti-microbial</p> <p>Nests wash at 90 degrees and are durable</p>
<p>Ease of Cleaning/Laundrying Infection Control</p>	<p>Can wash on high temps.  Can tumble dry Dandle Pal  Dandleroo 2 Nests are made from organic cotton</p>
<p>Training Required?</p>	<p>Rep. will visit unit and offer training.  Competency package can be formulated</p>
<p>Comments</p>	<p>Gels - good for term babies, offer comfortable pressure relief</p> <p>Incubator covers can be customised with colour, logo, flap position etc - but too expensive</p> <p>Already used in some units – satisfactory for purpose</p> <p>Phototherapy goggles offer good skin protection</p> <p>Dandleroo 2 Nests have been upgraded upon recommendation</p> <p>Dandleroo 2 nest has removable pillow at foot end that can be used for prone positioning/ flexible configurations</p> <p>Dandle Pal competitively priced</p>
<p>Useful Contact Details</p>	<p>Zoe</p>

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Name of Company/Product	<b>Solus/Cuski</b> Clinical Nests Bertie Beanie Muslin Square/Wrap (Swandoodle) Miniboo
Benefits of Positional Aids	Nests have high boundaries, that can be separated and flattened down to allow access to baby Multi patient use – nests Nests are soft to touch
Cost	Clinical Nests £27.50 Non-collapsible Nest £22.50 Bertie £19.99 Muslin £21.99
Durability/Lifespan	Maintains colour/shape
Ease of Cleaning/Laundrying Infection Control	Nest/Bertie can be washed at 90degrees, and cool dried (shrink if not cool dried) Made from Bamboo and cotton
Training Required?	Staff training re. use, function of flaps Rep. to visit unit & develop competency package
Comments	Already used in some units – report that the nests are good for line placement/security. Reasonably priced Positioning aid not well filled = reduced level of support Products have NHS Protocols written/use approved by NHS Nests offer good positioning support/flexible configuration

## **Recommendations from Product Assessment**

### **Nests**

CUSKI-Solus

### **Boundaries**

BED BUDDIES-CMS

DANDLEPAL-Inspiration

### **Gels**

PHILLIPS (consider Delta Medical)

### **Prone Positioner**

BERTIE BEANY-Cuski

DANDLEPAL-Inspiration

### **Cothoods/Canopies**

CMS

**Incubator Covers** – To be considered as units have own supply/production.

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The comments have been directly copied and entered from the handwritten comments sheets provided on the day.

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The individual comments are opinions only, and as such, only represent the evaluations of the attendees of the Product Assessment Day.

The representatives of the products listed above, can be contacted individually, product details and pricing can then be discussed in further detail, and individual unit training requirements be addressed.

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