SPSO decision report

Case: 201810039, Fife NHS Board

Sector: Health

Subject: complaints handling

Decision: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

The board carried out a significant adverse event review (SAER) into the care provided to Mr C's family, following the death of their baby. The SAER identified various issues in the care provided to Mr C's family and it identified actions to address them. Mr C raised concerns with us that the board might not have carried out all of those actions appropriately and he wanted us to independently assess this.

We took independent advice from a midwife and from a consultant obstetrician (a doctor who specialises in pregnancy and childbirth). We found that the actions set out in the SAER were appropriate to address the issues in care and treatment that it identified. We also considered that the board had provided us with sufficient evidence that those actions were carried out appropriately. We did not uphold the complaint.

