

## Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust

# The Carer Skills Passport

*Safe, effective, continuing care for children  
with complex long term conditions*



### SAFER CARE ACROSS CARE SETTINGS

- A record of standardised training and assessment, providing assurance that parents and carers are competent to care for children with complex long term conditions, from basic washing and dressing to advanced tasks such as tracheostomy care.
- Ensures a safe, effective, flexible workforce, providing person centred care in the most appropriate setting, enhancing the quality of care through continuity across care settings and reducing length of stay.

### USED BY PARENTS AND CARERS

- Details core and additional competencies required when caring for children and young people with complex long term conditions.
- Specifies when individual competencies are required, how they should be assessed and requirements for refresher training and re-assessment.
- Acceptable and transferrable across care settings (hospital, hospice, school, home).
- Documents training received and competencies assessed by the Passport holder.

### VIEWS OF PARENTS

"A brilliant idea! It would most definitely cut down a lot of stresses and confusion between community's staff, parents and carers"

"This will really help. We find it frustrating when we come into hospital or new carers are trained to do a procedure a different way to how we were taught"

"In the past, as parents we have had no refreshers, updates etc. unless equipment has changed"