MARTHA'S RULE

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Can you identify which of the highlighted, underlined words is <u>missing</u> for a chance to win a £25 gift voucher

Martha Mills died, aged 13, in 2021 after developing <u>sepsis</u> in hospital. Her family's concerns about her <u>deteriorating</u> condition were not responded to, and in 2023 a coroner ruled that she would probably have survived had she been moved to intensive care earlier.

'Martha's Rule' – is a **patient safety** initiative as part of a wider NHS strategy to ensure the vitally important concerns of the patient and those who know the patient best are listened to and acted upon.

Martha's Rule is part of the PIER framework which describes the approach to patient deterioration: **Prevent**, **Identify**, **Escalate**, **Respond**.

Martha's Rule has 3 components and helps identify and escalate deteriorating patients:

- 1. All staff have access to our **Critical Care** Outreach Team who can provide **rapid review** 24/7.
- 2. This escalation route is also available to <u>patients</u> themselves and their carers via a dedicated <u>Call4Concern</u> © helpline to Critical Care Outreach Team.
- 3. Patients are asked, at least on a <u>daily</u> basis, any worries or concerns about their <u>condition</u> and this information is used in a structured way to escalate concerns. This is termed a <u>wellness</u> <u>check</u>.

The daily wellness check is recorded in the **Sunrise** vital signs flowsheet.

Please ensure your completed wordsearch, identifying the missing word, is returned by Sunday 22nd September 2024 to be entered for the prize draw

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