Appendix 1 Example of form used for Collating Visitation Monitoring Information.

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Neonatal Unit Parenting Assessment:

Date:

Name:	Comments	Name, Print & sign in
DOB:		boxes
NO:		
Feeding: Breast/Bottle/Tube		
Offers feeds at appropriate times		
At night wakes to give feed if required		
Provides own bottles		
Able to make up bottle feed appropriately		
Interaction with baby during feed.		
Observation of safety		
Hygiene:		
Carries out personal care for baby.		
Washing/bathing as required		
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Changes nappy when appropriate.	
Attention paid to need for skin care if nappy	
rash present	
Provides nappies and clean clothing clean	
Changed clothes & nappy appropriately	
Visiting:	
Is visiting regular and planned?	
Any unusual visiting times? Eg. Late @ night	
Duration of the Visit.	
Do they tell staff if they are unable to visit?	
Interaction:	
Response to baby's needs/involvement in	
care	
e.g. response when cries, eye contact, play,	
rest, appropriate stimulation	
Parent's interaction with Nursing/Medical staff	
and seeking information about their baby's	
condition	
Behaviour with other parents/carers?	
Do parents work together to provide care?	
Safety:	
Handling of the baby e.g. rough/gentle	

Positioning of baby	
Incubator or cot sides secure	
Cot space appropriately tidy	
Choice of equipment, toys	
age/developmentally appropriate	
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Further relevant observations:	

- It is important to comment on any positive or negative or inadequate responses affecting the care of the baby
- Please comment on the parent's ability and willingness to learn as well as their adaptability to their baby's changing needs
- Please comment where possible on the degree of support from extended family.