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PiPS: Probiotic in Preterm babies Study

The probiotic *Bifidobacterium breve* strain BBG-01 administered early to preterm infants to prevent infection, necrotising enterocolitis and death
Professor Kate Costeloe

1. I confirm that I have read and understand the Parent Information Leaflet (version 5.1 dated 14Feb2011) for the above study, and have had the opportunity to ask questions.
2. I understand that the participation of my baby in this study is voluntary and that I am free to withdraw my baby from the study at any time, without giving any reason, without the medical care or legal rights of my baby being affected.
3. I understand that 2 samples of my baby's stools will be retained in the laboratory, for this and future studies, to do tests to help understand the effects of probiotics.
4. I understand that sections of any of the medical notes of my baby may be looked at by responsible individuals from the study organisers or from regulatory authorities where it is relevant to my baby taking part in research. I give permission for these individuals to have access to the records of my baby.
5. I understand that information held by the NHS and records maintained by The NHS Information Centre and the NHS Central Register may be used to help contact me and provide information about my baby's health status.
6. I agree that personal identifying information will be collected, stored and used by the co-ordinating centre to enable follow-up to be undertaken later should it be necessary. This is on the understanding that any information will be treated confidentially.
7. I understand that you will inform my GP that my baby is participating in this study.
8. I agree to my child taking part in the above study.

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