

POTENTIALLY SENSITISING EVENTS

A potentially sensitising event (PSE) is an event which can cause a fetomaternal haemorrhage (FMH) and can result in a pregnant woman becoming sensitised (making an antibody)

The following events are PSEs:

PV Bleeding; Abdominal Trauma;
Miscarriage; Termination of
Pregnancy; Diagnosis of
Intrauterine Death; Stillbirth;
Invasive Antenatal
Procedures; Ectopic
Pregnancy;
External Cephalic
Version
(attempted
& successful);
Delivery of
RhD Positive
Baby

Management
of PSE
depends on
gestation

IMPORTANT!
Different events and
the stage of pregnancy
when the event occurs
has an effect on the dose
of anti-D required
**CHECK YOUR
PROTOCOLS**
for the dose.

**ALL births are
considered to
be potentially
sensitising
events**

Events associated with large FMH:

Manual Removal of Placenta
Stillbirth
Intrauterine Death
Abdominal trauma

