

## Care of Deceased Process Map. LPT In- Patient areas V2.25.11.24

**Natural death:** death occurs as a result of the aging process or progression of a natural illness/disease.

Decision making is based on HONEST HELD BELIEF - If ANY suspicion to suspect a third party has caused or contributed to the death by act or omission, treat as un-natural.

**Un-natural death:** death not considered to be due to natural causes (not ageing or natural illness /disease progression). Examples: accidents (fall, choking), incidents (medication error), suicides.

**Detained:** held under a statutory power (example: Mental Health Act 1983). **Not detained:** not held under a statutory power (no state imposition upon their freedoms)

