Paternal Suicide in the First 1001 Days



World first research by Swansea University, commissioned by the **1001 Critical Days Foundation**

The Reality

2-3 babies
lose their dads
to suicide
every week
in the UK*

*UK estimate based on actual data from Wales

In Wales (2002-2021):

107 dads

&

16 mums

died by suicide in the 1001 Critical Days - that's **7x more dads** than mums...

The Human Impact







Behind each number is a person, a grieving family and a baby left without their dad.



Suicides are preventable

The Inequality

Dads **excluded** from perinatal mental health services

Suicide rates double in deprived areas



£217 million

a year across the UK

£7.2 million

a year in Wales alone

Money that could be spent to prevent suicides

What Needs to Change?

- Include dads in specialist perinatal mental health services
- Routine screening and support for dads as well as mums
- National monitoring of paternal suicide
- Targeted outreach in deprived areas

Becoming a dad is an important opportunity for prevention.

With the right support, we can save lives and help parents to give their baby the best start in life.



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