Information for HCP involved in the care of a newborn from a Zika affected pregnancy

It is suggested that infants born from Zika affected pregnancies be referred to a local pediatrician for ongoing follow-up.

As Zika virus infection has been associated with other anomalies beyond microcephaly, the pediatrician will ensure that additional hearing/vision screening, regular developmental evaluation and measurement of head circumference occurs.

Consultation with appropriate pediatric sub-specialists, such as neurology, developmental pediatrics should be determined by the pediatrician's assessment of the child's needs.

For Zika exposed children with high level of developmental concern, in addition to a referral to pediatrics, a referral to the provincial Infant Development Program (IDP) should be made. Contact information regarding the province's 52 IDP sites can be found at: http://www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/spec_needs/idp_contacts.htm