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**Themes:** Advocacy, Bereavement and Grief, Children with Specific Health Conditions, Counselling, Families and Children, Parenting, Specific Health Conditions

**Aimed at:** Adults 18+

Helping parents and professionals through antenatal screening

ARC is the only national charity helping parents and healthcare professionals through antenatal screening and its consequences

Around 800,000 women in the UK become pregnant each year. More than 40,000 will be told there is a chance their baby has a genetic or structural condition. Naturally, this can cause a great deal of anxiety and uncertainty. Most parents will ultimately be reassured the pregnancy is progressing as expected. Sadly, some will receive the devastating news that their baby has a serious, sometimes lethal condition or might be told that the outlook is very uncertain.

ARC offers non-directive information and support to parents before, during and after antenatal screening; when they are told their baby has an anomaly; when they are making difficult decisions about continuing with or ending a pregnancy, and when they are coping with complex and painful issues after making a decision, including bereavement.

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