Parent’s Skills and experience as carers; Past experience of out-of-home care: – maternity hospital - children’s hospitals

Respect for and safety of the child
Child not expected to imminently die
Maintenance of routine during
Good reputation/ experience of care
Consistency of staffing
Pre-requisites for parental trust and satisfaction
Standards of care equal to parents
Proximity - Home to respite

Hospice
Children’s Hospital
Location for out-of-home respite:
School:
Residential care setting:

Bad Experience

Alternative options: • Home respite; • Other respite centre; • No respite

Utilisation of out-of-home respite

Good Experience

Parental need for respite changes over time

Figure 2. - Out-of-home respite in children’s palliative care: A new model