

BEREAVEMENT PHOTOS

Bella Baby would like to extend our deepest thanks for taking Bereavement photos for the families that have lost a baby. This guide will give you tips and ideas for photographing these babies. We understand that not all compositions are possible depending on the situation, but this will at least give you a place to start.

WHAT TO DO WITH THE PHOTOS

- 1. The nurse has the family complete the consent form, takes a picture of the consent form and photos of the baby with the camera Bella Baby provided for your hospital when we started.
 - a. If you no longer have this camera, please contact us at 800-863-0805
- 2. The nurse calls Bella Baby customer service and provides the family's contact information as well as a way to reach the nurse in case there are any questions.
- 3. Bella Baby customer service will provide the nurse with a link and password to a password protected DropBox file. The nurse would use the card reader to upload the photos to that folder from a hospital computer.
- 4. The nurse will save the memory card with the consent form until we have confirmed the photos have been backed up.
- 5. The nurse will put a new memory card into the camera and charge the camera battery.
- 6. Bella Baby will edit the photos, mail the family a USB and notify the nurse that this has been sent.

If your hospital does not allow access to DropBox on your network, we ask that you provide a location where the nurses can back up the photos from the memory card and then mail Bella Baby the memory card with the consent form in the provided envelopes.

Families will receive their flash drive at no cost within 2-4 weeks.

Please call Bella Baby customer service with any questions: 800-863-0805

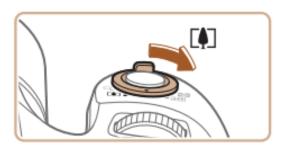


PHOTO SESSION TIPS

Focus

- 1. Look through the viewfinder or at the viewing screen and place its focus point (the marks in the middle) on the main subject.
- 2. Press the shutter button halfway down to lock the focus (the camera may beep once the focus has been set).
- 3. Holding the shutter button halfway down, compose the shot the way you want.
- 4. Press the shutter button all the way to take the picture.

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The zoom lever is the dial around the button you press to take the picture on the top right of the camera. Move the zoom lever toward the right to zoom in rather than moving the camera closer to the baby. Move it back to the left to zoom back out. Cameras will not focus if the lens is too close to the subject.

SETTING UP

The best tools to use for these sessions are a large sheet or blanket and a small blanket or towel for supporting the baby. Place a white sheet underneath the baby to create a white background.



LIGHTING

Ideally, you want the baby's face to be lit. Notice in the first image how the baby's face is shadowed. This is remedied by using the flash OR by turning the baby so it is facing the light.



Sample 1 - No light on baby's face



Sample 2 - On Camera Flash



Sample 3 - Baby turned to face light



WHAT PHOTOS TO TAKE

First, take an identifying photo of the consent form so we can ensure the right family receives their photos.

Then capture full body, closeup and detail photos as possible:



If families want to be in the photos, you can photograph their hands holding the baby's hands and feet, capture them holding the baby, and even take a photo showing the room with the people there to support them.

We usually take 7-10 images.