**GP/paediatrician**

* Initial assessment and holistic approach.
* Frequency of consultations: Monthly or every three months, according to growth.
* Referral to dietitian, if necessary (diet supplement).
* Referral for plastic surgery for surgical planning.

**Plastic surgery**

* Repair of non-corrected cleft.
* Secondary procedures.
* Cleft nose repair, if necessary.

# Orthodontist

* For any correction of malocclusion.

# Neurosurgeon

* Management of craniofacial deformities, if necessary.

# Speech and audio

* Consultations every 6-8

weeks, up to 18 months.

* Speech and language assessment.
* Monitoring of the middle ear.
* ENT follow-up, if necessary.

# Speech therapy

* Assist parents and nursing staff with guidelines and techniques for feeding the baby.

# Dentist/orthodontist

* *Interventions according to the eruption of teeth and clinical findings:* Fillings, scale and polish.
* Frequency according to findings.
* Referral to orthodontist at 10 years and to maxillofacial.

**Holistic management of a patient with a cleft lip and/or palate**

**Later life (GP follows-up the patient)**

**GP/paediatrician**

* Follow-up on growth if necessary.
* Referral to members of the team according to stage.

**Newborn to one year**

**12-18 months**

**Obstetrics**

* Diagnose before birth.
* Counselling of parents.
* Referral to genetics, plastic surgery, social work, and occupational and speech therapy.

**Prenatal period**

# Social work and OT

* Assessment of environment.
* Simulation of difficulties to be handled by the parents.

**Plastic surgery**

* Explanation of the surgical planning for the parents.

**Genetics**

* Assessment of associated genetic disorders.
* Family counselling.
* Frequency of consultations according to findings.

# Social work

* Social rehabilitation.

# Ear, nose and throat

* Middle-ear surgery, tonsillectomy and/or adenoidectomy, if necessary.
* Septoplasty, if necessary.

# Speech and audio

* Late assessment of speech and language.
* Late hearing assessment.
* Referral to ENT, if necessary.

# Maxillofacial

* Alveolar bone grafting after six years of age.
* Further management of craniofacial deformities.
* Referral to neurosurgeon.

**Plastic surgery**

* Cleft lip and nose repair at three months.
* Soft palate repair from six months.
* Hard palate repair from one year.
* Referral to dental, speech

therapy and audiology, and ENT

for initial assessment.