

## Module 8 Case Study

Lily is an 8 month old baby, admitted to the PICU after presenting to the Emergency Department with a fever, enlarged liver, and skin rash. Lily was born via emergency c-section to her parents, Amy, who was the gestational carrier, and her wife, Jane. A battery of tests were run in the ER, and results have just returned revealing that Lily is positive for HIV. Amy has been at Lily's bedside since their arrival at the ER, and although Jane had time off work for Lily's birth, she has had to return to work to provide financially for the family. She does however come in every evening, both to spend time to Lily and also provide relief to Amy. It appears Amy and Jane have a very positive relationship. The MRP and bedside nurse have just disclosed Lily's HIV diagnosis to Amy. Amy became visibly upset at the news, stating she is scared to lose her family, and does not want the diagnosis disclosed to Jane. Amy added that disclosing Lily's diagnosis to Jane could reveal her own private healthcare information related to HIV, and if this happened, she would sue the hospital. Jane does not yet know Lily's diagnosis, and has just come in to visit for the evening and asked you for an update. Both Amy and Jane are on Lily's birth certificate, making them equal SDM's for Lily.