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Baby dies after parents refuse blood transfusion

A one-year-old baby lost her life at the Old Tarkwa Government Hospital in the Western region after her parents refused blood transfusion for her.

Medical Doctor at the Old Tarkwa Government Hospital, Dr. Joseph Darko told Adom News that the baby was brought in with burns which had made her lose blood.

However, when the doctor prescribed that she should be given blood, the parents refused because of their religious beliefs.

“The parents did not give us the permission to give the baby blood... so when her condition was getting worse, we invited both parents... after some hours, we realized that the mother had ran away with the baby...,” Dr. Darko said.

The parents, according to Dr. Darko, are Jehovah’s Witnesses hence their reason for refusing the blood transfusion.

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