



Joan Kirner Women's and Children's Quick Reference Guide

Level Five – Newborn Services

- Newborn Services is the name that the neonatal inpatient area will be known by
- Newborn Services meets the Level 6A neonatal capacity criteria, and will have the capability to care for the following patient groups from opening:
 - Premature neonates from 28 weeks completed gestation, weighing > 1000 grams at birth
 - Neonates requiring intubation and ventilation
 - Neonates requiring non-invasive ventilation support (CPAP)
 - Neonates requiring ongoing O2 therapy
 - Neonates requiring inotropic support and invasive blood pressure monitoring
 - Neonates requiring central venous access and high glucose concentration solutions and/or intravenous nutrition
 - Neonates requiring antibiotics for suspected/confirmed sepsis
 - Neonates requiring phototherapy
 - Neonates convalescing from illness
 - Neonates requiring support and monitoring of growth and nutrition
- A phased approach is underway to safely increase bed capacity and capability, on Day one of opening JKWC we will not be opening NICU cots – but the opening of 2 NICU cots will occur within 3 months of opening – date to be confirmed
- Newborn Services contains 39 bed spaces:
 - 18 Special Care (SC) patients – 3 bed bays, partially separated from each other
 - Nine Rooming in single rooms where parents can stay 1 or more nights prior to discharge
 - Six High Dependency (HDU) patients – single rooms
 - Six Neonatal Intensive Care patients (NICU) – single rooms
 - One bereavement room
- All patient beds have the capacity for parents to stay beside their neonates overnight
- Staff Facilities:
 - Level Five staff lounge with lockers and toilets accessible via swipe card access
 - Hot desk facilities and meeting spaces

