



Our Regional Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit is made up of specially-trained staff, including:

Neonatologist

A pediatrician that has specialty training and advanced education in the care of sick and premature infants. The neonatologist is responsible for overseeing medical decisions regarding your baby. They wear green scrubs.

Neonatal Nurse Practitioners

A nurse that has specialty training and advanced education in the care of sick or premature infants. Working in collaboration with a neonatologist, the NNP examines, diagnoses and designs a care plan for your baby. They wear light gray scrubs.

Neonatal Nurses

Specially trained nurses who provide intensive bedside care for sick or premature infants and carry out doctor's orders. They also assist parents in taking care of their babies. They wear navy blue scrubs.

Charge Nurse

A charge nurse is responsible for coordinating work assignments for staff nurses and helping solve patient care and other problems in the unit. They wear navy blue scrubs.

Respiratory Care Therapists

Specially-trained respiratory care providers who manage oxygen support and equipment for infants as needed. They wear teal scrubs.

Patient Care Techs

Assists nurses in caring for the needs, comfort and safety of infants and their families. They wear dark gray scrubs

Lactation Consultants

An International Board Certified Lactation Consultant (IBCLC) is a registered nurse who supports breastfeeding and pumping for NICU babies. They wear navy blue scrubs.

Occupational Therapists

Work to enhance the development of the infant's sensory systems and midline orientation. They wear teal scrubs.

Physical Therapists

Provide specialized therapeutic interventions to support long-term motor development and work with you on handling techniques for soothing your baby, as well as general neurodevelopmental care appropriate to your baby's age. They wear teal scrubs.

Speech Therapists

Feeding specialists who assess and assist with infant's pre-feeding and feeding skills. They wear teal scrubs.

Discharge Coordinators

Assist the providers in preparing your information and follow-up appointments after discharge.

Social Worker

A social worker is a specially-trained and licensed member of the medical team that provides a wide scope of services, including psychosocial assessment and intervention, discharge planning, community resource referral, supportive counseling, child abuse reporting and follow-up, financial assessment, crisis intervention, as well as assistance with basic needs. The NICU social worker can be reached at (256) 947-2533.

Family Support Liaison

Provides unique emotional, informational, educational and inspirational programs for NICU families and collaborates with NICU staff.

Child Life Specialist

Provides positive touch, developmental play, sibling family and bereavement support.

Music Therapy

Available to sing or play the guitar at infant's bedside to offer positive stimulation and support bonding with your baby.

