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Fact Sheet for: CENTER FOR NEUROSCIENCE

Current as of 02/08

Focus of unit: Join our team of professionals dedicated to providing specialized care for neurological and neurosurgical patients. Our uniquely designed unit provides a progressive care model to promote continuity. The Center for Neuroscience has a multidisciplinary team approach. A centralized gym provides rehab services for patients on the nursing unit.

RN to patient ratio for each shift: 12-hour shifts
Neuro Acute Care - 1:5
Neuro Critical Care – 1:2

Tech to patient ratio: 2 Techs - 18 patients

Average # of patients per day: 16

Number of beds in unit: 18 **Average length of stay:** 3.5

Special equipment used in the department: Cardiac, ICP, EEG, Hemodynamic monitoring, and pump-regulated lumbar drain.

Patients admitted to the unit from: Primary ED and Post Operative

Medical conditions of patients in the unit: Neuroscience Critical Care, Neuroscience Intermediate Care and Neuroscience Acute Care.

Resources available in unit during a crisis: Charge Nurses, Shift Supervisor, Clinician, Neuroscience Clinical Nurse Specialist, Neuro Library and Resource Booklets.

Unit uses: Omnicell and SureMed

Baylors are used? Yes

RNs are required to work some weekend shifts. Average of one per 4-week schedule.

Team members work one of two holiday plans.

Uniforms required: Royal Blue scrubs for RNs and Ceil Blue for Techs. (Associate purchases.)

Orientation to the unit lasts 2-4 weeks and individualized.

Orientation to the unit occurs on day shift + assigned shift.

Other comments specific to the unit: Featured in the 6/03 edition of *Advance Nurse Magazine*.
