



Fact Sheet for: Intensive Care – GMC

Current as of 2/08

Focus of unit: Critical Care

RN to patient ratio for each shift: Day 2:1 Night 2:1
Tech to patient ratio: Day 20:2 Night 20:1
Average # of (cases/patients/deliveries) per day: 17
Number of beds in unit: 20 **Average length of stay:** 3.5

Special equipment used in the department: Cardiac monitoring (GE Solar) ventilators, pulmonary artery catheters, intracranial monitoring, vasoactive drips, Level 1 Rapid Infuser, and Hill-Rom Sport beds.

Patients admitted to the unit from: ED, floors, surgery, some direct admissions

Primary diagnoses in the unit: Respiratory failure, (COPD, pneumonia) cardiac (MI, Chest pain), trauma, general surgery.

Resources available in unit during a crisis: Hospitalist, ED MD, CNS, Charge RN is ACLS Team Leader

Unit uses: Omnicell

Baylors are used? Yes

RNs are required to work one weekend per four week schedule.

RNs are required to sign up for 12 hours of call time each 4-week schedule.

RNs in the unit cover A/B holidays per year. Rotate Holidays

Uniforms are required? Yes, royal blue for RNs and ceil blue for PCTs & secretaries

Orientation to the unit: Individualized for the associate (usually 2-4 weeks.)

Orientation to the unit occurs on All shifts.

Other comments specific to the unit: 2006-2007, 2007-2008 AACN Beacon Award winner. Medical Response Team, Code Blue Team

The ICU participates in Internships, Re-entry program, Externships, Nursing, Paramedic and EMS student rotations. Respiratory Therapist is present in the unit on all shifts. Prefer 2 years ICU experience but willing to look at all applicants. BSN and CCRN preferred.