



Fact Sheet for: Endoscopy

Current as of 02/08

Focus of unit: To perform diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy procedures on both an inpatient and outpatient population.

RN to patient ratio for each shift: **Day 1:1** (During procedures 3 to 1 in PACU) **Evening 1:1** (call back situations) **Night 1:1** (call back situations)

Tech to patient ratio: **Day 1:1** (During Procedures) **Evening 1:1** **Night 1:1** (call back situations)

Average # of (cases/patients/deliveries) per day: 39 GDS, 13 GOC, and 1.7 JGH

Number of beds in unit: 6 Procedure Rooms GDS, 1 Manometry Room GDS, 2 Procedure Room GOCD,

Average length of stay: 3 hours from door to door.

Special equipment used in the department: The Endoscopy Department uses a wide variety of specialized equipment to perform the procedures. Gwinnett Medical Center utilizes Olympus brand scopes, and video systems. Steris System I is the scope reprocessing machines utilized and mainly Microvasive accessories are used during procedures.

Patients admitted to the unit from: Outpatients come from their place of residence and inpatients come from all over the hospital system.

Medical conditions of patients in the unit: The Center for Gastrointestinal and Pulmonary Endoscopy sees patients with disease processes of the digestive and pulmonary system. The Center also sees a high population of patients that are having cancer screening colonoscopies.

Resources available in unit during a crisis: During crisis situations the staff have the resources of the Day Surgery and the Gwinnett Outpatient Center Duluth Staff and Anesthesia departments. The cases that are performed after hours and on weekends have the support of the PSC, who will enlist the help of whoever is needed.

Unit uses Omnimed and SureMed? No

Baylors are used? No

RNs are required to take call about every 10th weekend. Weekday evening call is rotated (3p-7a).

RNs in the unit cover no more than 2 holidays per year.

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

Orientation to the unit lasts 6 weeks.

Orientation to the unit occurs on Day shift and Orientation includes a call weekend that the RN “shadows” an RN.

Other comments specific to the unit:

Endoscopy is a procedural driven department. The pace is rapid and extremely customer focused.