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Fact Sheet for: Medical/Telemetry – GMC-D

Current as of 02/08

- **Focus of unit:** Are you ready for fast-paced, intense nursing care? Learn more about progressive cardiac care with antiarrhythmic and vasopressor drips. Perform chemical cardio versions and Advanced Cardiac Life Support algorithms.
- **RN to patient ratio for each shift:** Day 5/6:1 Evening 5/6:1 Nights 6:1
- **Tech to patient ratio:** Day 10:1 Evening 10:1 Night 10:1
- **Average # of patients per day:** 27-31
- **Number of beds in unit:** 31
- **Average length of stay:** 3.5
- **Special equipment used in the department:** Cardiac Monitors, 12 lead EKG and Eagle monitor (Marquet), Pulse Oximeter, Dinamap, IV, Feeding & PCA pumps, specialty beds, plexi pulses.
- **Patients admitted to the unit from:** ED, direct admission, transfers from ICU and CCU, Cardiac Cath, Admissions Unit, and acute care areas.
- **Medical conditions of patients in the unit:** Cardiac conditions with vasopressors and antiarrhythmic drugs, pulmonary, cardiac cath and medical co-morbidities.
- **Resources available in unit during a crisis:** Medical Response Team, MD from ER, RN from ICU, patient's Nurse, PCT, Charge RN, Nurse Clinician, CNS, Respiratory Therapist, Patient Representative, Chaplain and Security.

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- **Unit uses:** Omnicell, SureMed, telemetry monitor and computer.
 - **Baylors are used?** No
 - **RNs are required to work every 3rd weekend for 12 hour shifts, every other weekend for 8 hour shifts. Tech's work every other weekend.**
 - **RNs in the unit cover A/B holidays per year.** Rotate Holidays
 - **Uniforms are required?** Yes, RN's royal blue scrubs with only white shoes. Tech's, MT, and US ceil blue scrubs with white shoes.
 - **Orientation to the unit lasts 4-6 weeks.**
 - **Orientation to the unit occurs on all shifts.**

Other comments specific to the unit:

Our unit has bedside charting and medications conveniently located in patient's room. Plan of care follows specific clinical pathways. ACLS preferred at time of hire, 12 lead EKG class, and Telemetry challenge exam available.

