



**Fact Sheet for: PEDIATRIC/YOUNG ADULT UNIT**

Current as of 02/08

**Focus of unit:** Pediatric and Young Adult Medicine. This is a family-centered unit with an experienced pediatric/med/surg staff with strong emphasis on pain management in a warm and nurturing environment. We have recently broadened our focus to include young adults with no co-morbidities. Since we are based in the community, it is convenient for our patients and staff alike. We work closely with the hospital-supported Kids' Clinic and with the many private practices in the county.

**RN to patient ratio for each shift:** Day 5:1 Evening 5:1 Night 6:1

**Average # of patients per day:** 6

**Number of beds in unit:** 12      **Average length of stay:** 2 days

**Special equipment used in the department:** A&B monitor, cardiac monitor, syringe pumps, bili lights.

**Patients admitted to the unit from:** CEC, E.R., NICU, M/B, and Doctor's offices.

**Medical conditions of patients on the unit:** **Pediatric patients:** respiratory conditions, AGE, surgical, neonatal sepsis, hyperbili. **Young Adult patients:** appendicitis, choley, PID, minor ortho, asthma, pneumonia.

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**Unit uses:** Omnicell and Suremed

**Baylors are used?** No

**RNs are required to work 2-3 weekend shifts per month.**

**RNs in the unit work A/B/C holiday schedule** (This is a set-rotating schedule – ex. work Christmas every 3 years, Thanksgiving every 3 years and New Year's every 3 years)

**1 major holiday (Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's)**

**2 minor holidays (Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve, Day after Thanksgiving or Thanksgiving Eve (depending on shift))**

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

**Orientation to the unit lasts 4-8 weeks.** Depends on associate experience.

**Orientation to the unit occurs on day shift for days and on both shifts for nights.**

**Other comments specific to the unit:**

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Our Nurse Tech works on the floor and helps out at the desk as Unit Secretary.