

Neonatal Transport Activation

Neonatal

Transfer to Mary Bridge Children's Hospital

Call 855-647-1010

Transfer Center Nurse:

- Immediate contact with Neonatologist 24/7
- Coordinates transport
- Activates the Neonatal Transport Team via ground or air



Guidelines for Air vs. Ground:



UW Medicine

For ALL calls, consider weather conditions, traffic congestion and MCO suggestion for mode of transport

HIGH Priority Call:

- Immediate threat to life
- Hemodynamic instability
- Emergent surgery or intervention
- Airway or respiratory instability
- Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy (HIE)

MEDIUM Priority Call:

- Hemodynamically stable w/abnormal lab values (Hgb, Hct)
- Urgent surgical need (w/in 4-6 hours)
- Electrolyte/medication management
- Moderate respiratory support
- Suspected Sepsis

LOW Priority Call:

- Hemodynamic and respiratory stability
- Surgical intervention within next 24-48 hours
- Long-term care management
- Specialty services consult

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

Mary Bridge Children's Hospital 70 bed NICU is the largest and only Level IV NICU in Southwest Washington with direct patient care provided by in-house Neonatologists **24 hours a day, 7 days a week**. Private rooms for all neonates on admission so parents can stay overnight with their newborns.

Services provided at Mary Bridge Children's NICU include:

- Specialty care for infants as young as 22 weeks gestation, total body cooling, PPHN/ECMO, and cardiac, neurologic and genetic conditions
- Surgical services including neurosurgery, urology, ENT and general surgery conditions including: gastroschisis, omphalocele, EA-TEF, intestinal atresia and obstructions, and necrotizing enterocolitis.

Neonatal Transport Team

The Mary Bridge Neonatal Transport Team provides inter-facility transport services for all patients requiring specialized neonatal care. The team's mission is to provide stabilization and critical care to ill newborns during transport. Our partnership with Airlift Northwest allows our team to provide air (helicopter and fixed wing) transport in addition to ground transport.

Services Provided during Transport:

- Advanced airway management
- High Frequency and Conventional Ventilation
- Inhaled nitric oxide
- NCPAP/HFNC
- Thoracentesis
- Umbilical line placement and vascular access
- Active cooling
- Surgical patient stabilization
- Vasoactive medication and infusion administration

Transport Team Highlights:

- Specialty trained neonatal nurses and respiratory therapists with advanced skills for out-of-hospital environment.
- Timely feedback post transport of how baby is doing with medical update