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Facilities Planning & Safety Unit

Site Inspection Check List for:

Newborn Nursery Units - OAR 333-535-0070

PR# _____ Date: _____ Inspector: _____

Provider: _____

Project: _____

Address: _____

Present at Site Inspection:

Intended Occupancy Date: _____

Required **PRIOR** to Approved Inspection:

RECEIVED?

YES NO NA

Certificate of Occupancy (CO) from governing jurisdiction

MEP Close-Out verification (if required)

SITE INSPECTION:

INTERIOR = Verify that the facility has installed:

OVERALL:

YES NO NA

Newborn infants not cared for in a "rooming-in" program in post-partum or LDR rooms shall be housed in nurseries that comply with the standards below:
333-535-0070 (1)

Location shall allow for transfer of infants to post partum and birthing and LDR rooms without going through unrelated departmental or public corridors and spaces.

The nursery shall be located and arranged to preclude the need for non-related pedestrian traffic.

No nursery shall open directly into another nursery

All nurseries shall contain the following:

- At least one hand-washing station for each 8 infant beds equipped with controls that can be operated without the use of hands. 333-535-0070 (1)(a)
- Nurses emergency calling system to summon assistance without leaving the patient area. 333-535-0070 (1)(b)
- Alternate technologies shall be permitted for emergency or nurse call systems. If radio frequency systems are utilized, consideration shall be given to electromagnetic compatibility between internal and external sources. 333-535-0070 (1)(b)
- Glazed observation windows to permit viewing infants from public areas, from workrooms, and from adjacent nurseries. 333-535-0070 (1)(c)
- Provision shall be included for storage and convenient access at each nursery room for linens and infant supplies. 333-535-0070 (1)(d)
- Charting facilities shall have linear surface space to ensure that staff and physicians may chart and have simultaneous access to information and communication systems. 333-535-0070 (4)

FULL - TERM NURSERY:

YES NO NA

- Each full-term nursery shall contain no more than 16 standard infant stations. 333-535-0070 (2)
- The minimum floor area shall be 24 SF for each infant station exclusive of auxiliary work areas. 333-535-0070 (2)
- When a "rooming in" program is used, the total number of bassinets provided in these units may be appropriately reduced, but the full-term nursery may not be omitted in its entirety from any facility that includes obstetrical services. (When facilities use a "room-in" program in which all infants are returned to the nursery at night, a reduction in nursery size may not be practical.) 333-535-0070 (2)

CONTINUING CARE NURSERY:

YES NO NA

- Hospitals having 25 or more maternity beds shall have a separate nursery that provides continuing care for infants who need close observation. 333-535-0070 (3)

- The minimum floor area per infant shall be 50 SF exclusive of auxiliary work areas, with provisions for at least 4 feet between and at all sides of bassinets. The Division, however, may waive this requirement for low-risk obstetrical services in service areas where a second, full service nursery exists and a safe method for transfer is in place and discussed in the Functional Program. 333-535-0070 (3)

- In hospitals with continuing care nurseries a housekeeping closet directly accessible from the unit and dedicated for the exclusive use of the Newborn Nursery, containing a floor receptor or sink and storage space for housekeeping equipment and supplies shall be provided. 333-535-0070 (9)

ISOLATION NURSERY:

YES NO NA

- A separate isolation nursery is required unless other provisions for the isolation of infants who are suspected of being infectious is made and included in the hospital's infection control policy. 333-535-0070 (7)

INFANT FORMULA FACILITIES:

YES NO NA

- Where infant formula is prepared on site, direct access from formula preparation room to any nursery is prohibited. 333-535-0070 (8)

The room must include:

- Clean-up washing and sterilization facilities,
 Separate facilities for formula preparation
 Refrigerated storage and warming facilities
 If commercial infant formula is used, storage and handling may be done in the nursery workroom or other appropriate room in the hospital that is accessible at all hours. The preparation area shall have a work counter, a hand washing station and storage facilities.

NURSERY WORKROOMS:

YES NO NA

Each nursery shall be served by a connection work-room that shall contain:

- Gowning facilities at the entrance for staff 333-535-0070 (5)(a)
 Work Counter 333-535-0070 (5)(b)
 Refrigerator 333-535-0070 (5)(c)
 Storage facilities 333-535-0070 (5)(d)
 One workroom may serve more than one nursery provided that required services are convenient to each 333-535-0070 (5)(f)
 Provision shall be made for storage of emergency cars(s) and equipment out of traffic 333-535-0070 (5)(h)

- Provisions shall be made for the sanitary storage and disposal of soiled waste 333-535-0070 (5)(i)
- Visual control shall provided via borrowed lights and/or view panels between the staff work area and each nursery. 333-535-0070 (5)(j)

- The work room serving the full-term and continuing care nurseries may be omitted if equivalent work and storage areas and facilities including those for scrubbing and gowning, are provided within that nursery. Space required for work areas located within the nursery is in addition to the area required for infant care. 333-535-0070 (5)(g)

EXAM AREAS:

YES NO NA

Such areas, when required by the functional Program shall contain:

- A work counter
- Storage
- Hands-free washing station