



- NICU.10.1.6 Knowledge of dosage range, side effects and complications of commonly used medications such as surfactant and high alert medications used in neonatal care including vasopressors, narcotics, and controlled medications.
 - NICU.10.1.7 Infection control principles.
 - NICU.10.1.8 Blood transfusion and exchange transfusion.
 - NICU.10.1.9 Sarnat and Thompson Scoring.
 - NICU.10.1.10 Use of the defibrillator.
 - NICU.10.1.11 Care of patients on ventilators.
 - NICU.10.1.12 Care of endo-tracheal tube (ETT).
 - NICU.10.1.13 Care of patients with tracheostomies.
 - NICU.10.1.14 Care of the terminally ill and end of life patients.
 - NICU.10.1.15 Care of patient in incubator.
- NICU.10.2 There is ongoing competency assessment for the nursing staff (e.g., written test, return demonstration).
- NICU.10.3 The competency assessment of the nursing staff is documented.

Standard Intent:

Qualified nursing staff members are hired by the hospital through a process that matches the requirements of the position with the qualifications of the prospective staff member. This process also ensures that nursing staff member's skills are initially and over time consistent with the needs of patients. Ongoing evaluation and competency assessment ensures that training occurs when needed and that the staff member is able to assume new or changed responsibilities. Training and competency assessment should be undertaken for the procedures mentioned in substandard NICU 10.1.1 through NICU.10.1.15.

NICU.11 The neonatal intensive care unit has adequate equipment, supplies, and diagnostic services.

NICU.11.1 There are isolation rooms with at least one negative pressure room.

NICU.11.2 The following equipment are available:

- NICU.11.2.1 Ventilators.
- NICU.11.2.2 Suction apparatus.
- NICU.11.2.3 Airway sets.
- NICU.11.2.4 Crash cart that includes defibrillator, all emergency supplies, and medications as appropriate to neonates.
- NICU.11.2.5 Infant resuscitator.
- NICU.11.2.6 Incubators.
- NICU.11.2.7 Portable incubator with portable ventilator.