



Wisconsin Association for Perinatal Care Levels of Care Self-Assessment Initiative

Level II Obstetric Services

		References*	My facility
Level II obstetric services	<p>All basic care services plus care of appropriate women at risk and fetuses, both admitted and transferred from other facilities</p> <p>Care of women with uncomplicated pregnancies with the ability to detect, stabilize, and initiate management of unanticipated maternal, fetal, or neonatal problems that occur during the antepartum, intrapartum, or postpartum period until patient can be transferred to a facility at which specialty maternal care is available.</p> <p>Care of appropriate high-risk antepartum, intrapartum, or postpartum conditions, both directly admitted and transferred from another facility</p>	GPC 10 Menard	Y N
A. Administration			
1. Medical	Board Certified/Eligible Obstetrician with special interest, experience in obstetric care	GPC 24	Y N
2. Nursing	RN with demonstrated expertise in obstetric care	GPC 31	Y N
B. Staffing			
1. Obstetric care	Qualified physician or certified nurse-midwife or certified midwife should attend all deliveries	GPC 24	Y N
	An obstetric provider with privileges to perform emergency Cesarean delivery available to attend all deliveries	Menard	Y N
a. Certified nurse midwife (CNM)		GPC 10	Y N
b. Family Practitioner		GPC 10	Y N
c. Obstetrician	Available at all times	GPC 10	Y N
d. Maternal-fetal medicine	Available for consultation onsite, by phone, or by telemedicine, as needed	Menard	Y N
e. Physician assistant		GPC 10	Y N
f. Other (please specify)			Y N
2. Nursing	Continuous availability of adequate number of RNs with competence in level II care criteria to identify and respond to the obstetric and medical complications of pregnancy, labor, and delivery	Menard	Y N
a. See Appendix I for recommended staffing			
C. Services			
1. Obstetric components			
a. Perinatal care for uncomplicated obstetrical and fetal patients		GPC 10	Y N
b. Risk assessment for all obstetric patients available and utilized		GPC 7	Y N

c.	Equipment needed to accommodate the care and services of obese women		Menard	Y	N
d.	Patient education programs		GPC 196	Y	N
e.	Diagnostic and evaluative techniques				
1)	Antenatal fetal testing (e.g., NST, OCT, Biophysical Profile)		GPC 7	Y	N
2)	Antenatal fetal evaluation (e.g., amniocentesis)		GPC 7	Y	N
3)	Diagnostic ultrasound	Available on a 24 hour basis	GPC 10	Y	N
4)	Computed tomography scan and ideally magnetic resonance imaging with interpretation		Menard	Y	N
f.	Continuous electronic fetal monitoring capability			Y	N
g.	Emergency capability				
1)	Arrangement for transport		GPC 10	Y	N
2)	Blood typing, cross matching, and availability	Available on a 24 hour basis	GPC 34	Y	N
3)	Capabilities for massive transfusion, emergency release of blood products, and management of multiple component therapy		Menard	Y	N
4)	Cesarean-section capability	Within an interval based on the timing that best incorporates maternal and fetal risks and benefits	GPC 10	Y	N
5)	Personnel qualified to manage obstetric emergencies		GPC 23	Y	N
2.	Other medical and surgical				
a.	Anesthesia	Anesthesia services available at all times to provide labor anesthesia and obstetric anesthesia	Menard	Y	N
		Board certified anesthesiologist with training or experience in obstetric anesthesia available for consultation	GPC 25	Y	N
b.	Cardiology	Strongly recommended.	GPC 25	Y	N
c.	Endocrinology	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
d.	Gastroenterology	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
e.	General surgery	Strongly recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
f.	Genetics	Strongly recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
g.	Hematology	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
h.	Internal medicine	Strongly recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
i.	Neurology	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
j.	Neurosurgery	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
k.	Orthopedic surgery	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
l.	Otolaryngology	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
m.	Pathology	Required	GPC 25	Y	N
n.	Pulmonology	Strongly recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
o.	Radiology	Required	GPC 10	Y	N
p.	Thoracic surgery	Recommended	GPC 25	Y	N

q. Urology	Strongly recommended	GPC 25	Y	N
3. Support				
a. Clinical laboratory services	Available on a 24 hour basis	GPC 10	Y	N
b. Infection control	Required	GPC 34	Y	N
c. Lactation support services	Required	GPC 34	Y	N
d. Nutrition services	Registered dietician or nutritionist	GPC 35	Y	N
e. Pastoral care		GPC 35	Y	N
f. Pharmacy services		GPC 35	Y	N
g. Radiology technicians	Available in-house on a 24 hour basis	GPC 10, 34-35	Y	N
h. Respiratory therapy			Y	N
i. Social work	Master's degree level	GPC 34	Y	N
j. Translation support services			Y	N
k. Ultrasound technicians	Available on a 24 hour basis	GPC 10, 35	Y	N
D. Education				
1. In-service sessions covering diagnosis and management of perinatal emergencies, as well as the management of routine problems and family-centered care		GPC 35	Y	N
2. Regularly scheduled multi-disciplinary conferences at which patient care issues are presented and discussed	Examples include quality committees for obstetric and pediatric services, discharge or follow-up planning groups, multidisciplinary rounds, case conferences, morbidity/mortality conferences, etc. (Conferences should include representatives from 2 or more disciplines.)	GPC 35	Y	N
E. Quality assurance				
1. Data collection, storage, and retrieval		GPC 10, 66	Y	N
2. Initiation of quality improvement programs that include efforts to maximize patient safety		GPC 10, 66	Y	N
3. Coordinated quality improvement programs with receiving and referring facilities	Strongly recommended		Y	N
F. Policies, procedures, and protocols				
1. Admitting non-obstetric patients to the obstetric unit		GPC 39	Y	N
2. Approach and management of VBAC per ACOG			Y	N
3. Formal arrangement for transfer to receiving hospital		GPC 79	Y	N
4. Criteria for consults for higher level of care		GPC 24	Y	N
5. Criteria for practice credentials for attending physicians		GPC 22	Y	N
6. Criteria for practice of allied health professionals (e.g., nurse midwife, nurse practitioner, nurse anesthetist)		GPC 22	Y	N
7. Method of risk identification and assessment for consult/transport		GPC 79	Y	N
8. Disaster preparedness and evacuation plan		GPC 54	Y	N

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