



Critical Care Services

Each year, more than 7,000 children are admitted to Texas Children's Hospital Intensive Care Units (ICUs). Texas Children's has one of the nation's largest and busiest Critical Care services. Our ICUs include 206 intensive care beds across our four campuses and are staffed by physicians, advanced practice providers and nurses trained in critical care.

Legacy Tower, our critical care home in the Medical Center, is a state-of-the-art facility for pediatric critical care abilities. Our Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU) spans floor 9-12 in Legacy Tower. These beds include dedicated Neurological, Surgical, Pulmonary and Hematology/Oncology cohorts with skilled professionals who are prepared to care for children in critical condition. Our Cardiovascular Intensive Care Unit (CICU) spans floors 16-18 in Legacy Tower. These beds include a dedicated cohort for neonatal patients, in addition to a dedicated heart failure ICU which is the first of its kind in the nation all housed in the same tower as our Heart Center.

Texas Children's Hospital North Austin Campus is a direct extension of the Critical Care services provided in Houston including similar specialized cohorts for Neurology, Surgery, Pulmonology and Hematology/Oncology. Our ICU also includes a Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU) where our pediatric patients are treated by dedicated providers backed by the #1 Pediatric Heart Center in the nation. Additionally, the hospital's Critical Care services include fetal surgery and pediatric dialysis.

Alongside these subspecialty cohorts, we also offer a General Medical PICU and a Transitional ICU, which often focuses on the care of children with complex medical needs who are often technology dependent. Our West, Woodlands, and North Austin Campuses also have General Medical PICU units, allowing patients to receive exceptional care close to home.

The difference is **life changing**™

Kangaroo Crew

Our Intensive Care Service also has a dedicated transport team, the Kangaroo Crew, that transports approximately 2,000 critically ill children annually from around the nation to our ICUs. We care for children from all over the country and from overseas, who are referred to us for medical and surgical intervention that often cannot be provided locally. These include care of children after major trauma, children with severe infections, children with cancer and suppressed immune systems and children with failure of one or more major organ systems.



Research and education

We are committed to delivering the best care to critically ill children. That's why we're discovering innovative therapies and treatment strategies to improve outcomes for ICU patients, as well as encouraging our faculty to take part in research programs. We are also educating the next generation of pediatric ICU physicians through fellowship trainings and subspecialty instructorships. Every day, our research and education efforts are driven by our aim to deliver life-changing care.

How to reach us:

Texas Children's Transfer Center

Texas Medical Center, West Campus,
The Woodlands, North Austin Campus

Toll Free 877-770-5550

Referring provider resources:

If you are a referring provider's office needing referral assistance or a provider needing to speak to an on-call specialist, please contact the Provider Connect team at **832-TCH-CARE** (832-824-2273) or toll-free at **877-855-4857**, Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. CT, excluding holidays. After hours, follow the prompts to be directed to a resource that can quickly connect you with the appropriate provider.

For non-urgent questions, email us at **providerconnect@texaschildrens.org**.

To learn more, visit **texaschildrens.org**.

Our programs & services:

- Cardiac Intensive Care Unit
- Neuro-Intensive Care Unit
- Mobile Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation
- Pulmonary ICU
- Pulmonary hypertension service
- Liver Transplant and Failure ICU
- Lung, Liver, Cardiac and Renal Transplantation
- Oncology ICU
- Transitional ICU
- Trauma Care
- ACHD ICU & Acute Care
- Renal Replacement Therapies
- Mechanical Circulatory Support Therapies
- Heart Failure Intensive Care Unit