**Section 1110.920 Neonatal Intensive Care – Definitions**

"Neonatal Intensive Care" means a level of care providing constant and close medical coordination, multi-disciplinary consultation and supervision to those neonates with serious and life threatening developmental or acquired medical and surgical problems which require highly specialized treatment and highly trained nursing personnel.

"Neonatal Intensive Care Service" means a category of service providing treatment of the infant for problems identified in the neonatal period which warrant intensive care. An intensive neonatal care service must include a related obstetric service for care of the high-risk mother (except when the facility is dedicated to the care of children).

"Neonatal Intensive Care Unit" means a distinct part of a facility which provides a program of intensive neonatal care and which is designed, equipped, and operated to deliver medical and surgical care to high-risk infants.

"Neonatologist" means a physician who is certified by the American Board of Pediatrics Sub-Board of Neonatal/Perinatal medicine or a licensed osteopathic physician with equivalent training and experience and certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Pediatricians.

"Perinatal Center" means a referral facility intended to care for the high-risk patient before, during or after labor and delivery and characterized by sophistication and availability of personnel, equipment, laboratory, transportation techniques, consultation and other support services. Such a center shall be a university or university-affiliated facility responsible for the administration and implementation of the Department of Human Services' regionalized perinatal health care program including continuing education for health professions.

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