We will:

• Treat all families with the standard of care that we would want our own family to receive.
• Provide a safe place to care for babies and their families.
• Treat all cultures with respect and dignity.
• Support parents.
• Support mothers in their chosen form of feeding.
• Help you prepare for going home.

Visit us

You are welcome to visit the Special Care Nursery at Casey Hospital to meet the staff and see the facilities before being transferred for care. Contact us to organise a time.

Contact us

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Why is my baby being transferred to Casey Hospital?

Your baby has been recommended for transfer to Casey Hospital for care in the Special Care Nursery. This is because it may be closer to home for you or because the facilities are suited to your baby’s and whole family’s needs.

About the Special Care Nursery

The new Special Care Nursery at Casey Hospital was opened in late 2010 and is a purpose-built 20-bed nursery.

Family facilities

- Lounge area and kitchen.
- Rooms for parents to stay overnight.
- Spacious, private baby cot areas with recliner chairs.
- Parent area at the cotside with a whiteboard for communication with staff.
- Storage for your baby’s and your belongings.

We aim to provide a calm and quiet environment for you to spend time with your baby. We recognise how important it is for families to be close to their baby.

Clinical facilities

The special care nursery features state-of-the-art equipment to care for sick babies.

Nurses and midwives

Our team of experienced nurses and midwives are here to provide you with the best care. Please talk to a staff member if you have questions or concerns you wish to discuss.

The doctors

- Our team of paediatric medical staff have specialist training in the care of premature and sick infants.
- Paediatric registrars are on site 24 hours a day.
- Paediatric consultants will see your baby every day and are on-call 24 hours a day.

Allied Health team

- The Allied Health team includes an experienced social worker available to support families during what can be a difficult time.
- A developmental therapist can provide support and education about preterm infant development and parenting in the special care nursery.
- For babies who were born very preterm or very low birth weight, or who have experienced other complications, the developmental therapist will review their current development and link families with community services that may be required to support ongoing development.
- A dietician, speech pathologist, physiotherapist and music therapist are also available.

Parent involvement and education

Each week, all members of the team caring for your baby including doctors, nurses and members of the Allied Health team will see your baby on a multi-disciplinary grand ward round. Parents are encouraged to attend and ask any questions they may have.

The nursery also runs parent education and parent support group sessions. Ask the nursing staff for details.