

Maternal and Child Program

Welcome to the Children's Inpatient Unit

Thank you for choosing Humber River Health for your child's care. We hope this information is helpful and your child's stay on the Children's Inpatient Unit at Humber River Health is as comfortable as possible.

At Humber River Health, we believe families, however they are defined, play an important role in the patient's healing process. As such, we want you and your child to define your 'family' and how they will be involved in your child's care, care planning, and decision-making. We will respect and value your family as essential partners in providing your child with excellent care.

Where do I go?

Children's Inpatient Unit Maternal and Child Program Humber River Health Level 4, 1235 Wilson Ave., Toronto, ON M3M 0B2

Tel: (416) 242-1000 ext. 45000

Please take the Central Elevators to level 4. Once you arrive on the floor, exit the elevator. From the elevator lobby, the entrance to the Children's Inpatient Unit is on the left.



To keep our children safe, we keep the doors into the unit locked. To enter the unit, either call us by using the phone located to the left of the doors or report to the Main Registration Desk so we can assist you.



What is the Children's Inpatient Unit?

The Children's Inpatient Unit is a 12-bed unit. We care for children up to their 18th birthday.

On the unit, we also have a playroom for children and teens. They can use this room during the daytime. We also have a Family Lounge for parents needing a quiet moment. This room is by the Central Registration Desk. Please speak to your nurse or the clerk for more information about these spaces.

Who is part of the team that cares for my child?

The team caring for your child may include nurses, paediatricians, dietitians, pharmacists, social workers, lactation consultants and others, as needed. We also have a Child Life Specialist available to help you and your child cope with your child's hospital stay.

The Clinical Manager and Clinical Practice Leader make up the nursing leadership part of this team. Please feel free to ask to speak to these individuals if you have any issues or concerns about the care your child is receiving.



What should I bring to make my child's stay more comfortable?

Please bring in all of your child's current medicines, in their original containers. We will use this information to create an accurate record for treatment so that we can provide your child with safe care.

To make sure your child is comfortable while at the hospital, please bring the following for your child:

Diapers and wipes (if needed)

🗌 Shampoo

- Lotion
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Comb/brush
- Soap
- Tissues

When do we serve meals?

Breakfast: 8:00 a.m. Lunch: 11:00 a.m. Dinner: 5:00 p.m.

- For safety reasons, please check with your nurse before bringing your child any food from home.
- Please keep any hot drinks or soups away from your child.

Parents or caregivers, you are responsible for arranging your own meals. A Family Pantry (with a fridge and microwave) is available in the unit for your use. There are also other dining options available to you on level 0 and level 1 (*see* the section, "What services are available at HRH?").

How can I support my child during their stay?

To provide support and comfort to your child during their stay, we encourage one parent (family member) stay with their child at all times, including overnight. Your child's room has a foldout sleeper chair for you to sleep on. For your comfort, we encourage you to bring extras, such as a pillow or blanket from home.

When can family visit my child in the Children's Inpatient Unit?

- **Parents:** You are very important to your child and we want you to feel welcome at all times, day or night.
- Brothers or Sisters: We welcome brothers and sisters at any time. It is helpful to talk to your children about what they will see, so they are prepared for the visit. When visiting, please have an adult accompany young children. At arrival, we will do a quick health screen to prevent the spread of infections.
- **Friends:** You may have friends visit your child, at your convenience.

We suggest no more than two visitors at a time. If you have special visiting needs, we can meet with you to find solutions.



Family and Visitor Hours:

Family	24 hours a day
	For family arriving between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.: Please enter through the South Main entrance. You will meet and sign in with Security. The security officer will then contact the patient care unit to let staff know
	that you have arrived.
Visitors	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

To make sure we are able to provide timely and safe care to your child, a nurse may ask extra visitors to step outside during a treatment or procedure. Once we finish the treatment or procedure, they are welcome to return.

Please note:

- To try to keep our environment as quiet as possible, we ask that you switch your cell phone to 'vibrate mode' while you are on the unit.
- We are a smoke-free hospital. We do not allow smoking anywhere on hospital property.
- We are also a scent-free hospital. Please do not wear perfumes or scented products.
- We want your family and our staff to be safe while in the Children's Inpatient Unit. We have a Zero Tolerance policy for any types of abuse, including improper language and behaviour. We will ask anyone who is violent or abusive to leave.

For Safety's Sake...

Both parents and staff have a responsibility to ensure your child stays safe while at the hospital.

Parents...

- If you do not understand something about your child's care, **ASK.**
 - On admission, you will receive a SMART
 Discharge Summary handout. This is your tool to help you capture key information about your child's care needs when you leave the hospital. Your nurse will review this with you throughout your child's stay.
- If your child is 3 years of age or younger, they will stay in a crib. Please make sure crib side rails are always up and locked as shown by the nurse.
- To protect your child from falls, please:
 - » Do not leave your child on the bed unattended.
 - » Do not place your child to sleep on your foldout sleeper chair.
 - » Tell your nurse if your child needs help getting in/out of bed/wheelchair or walking.
 - » Make sure your child is wearing non-skid footwear.
- In the morning, place the sleeper chair away from child's bedside, so the nurse can easily care for your child.

Staff will...

- Verify your child's identity by checking their armband for their name and hospital number, before each interaction.
- Clean their hands, before entering the room and interacting with your child, to help prevent the spread of infection.
- Review with you some ways to prevent falls, when we first admit your child to the unit and when, or if, there is a change in your child's condition.

- Let the nurse know if you need to leave your child alone.
- You have a call bell in the bathroom and at the bedside. Use the call bell if your child needs help. This call will alert your nurse on her hospital phone and she can respond to you by voice or video call.
- To help protect you and your child from infection, use hand sanitizers and clean hands often. Ask your family, visitors and staff to use hand sanitizers or clean their hands too.
- During a fire alarm, we ask that you and your child stay in the room. We will close the doors and let you know when it is safe to come out.
- You may use the locker in your child's room for any belongings. We ask that you take all valuables home. HRH does not reimburse for any lost, stolen, or damaged items.
- Before you visit your child, please check with your nurse if you or other visitors are feeling ill or if you think you may have a cold or the flu.
- Before you give care to your child, please check with your nurse to make sure there are no safety considerations to be mindful of.
- Complete bedside safety checks and update the communication whiteboard in your room, at the change of each nursing shift.
- Place a **baby guard** on children under 3 years of age, on their leg or wrist. This guard will alarm if your child leaves the floor without your permission.

Food and Retail: Our food and retail services are on level 0 and level 1. On level 0, you can find the Food Court and retail vendors. The Food Court will have the following dining options:

- Tim Horton's® (full service restaurant, open 24/7)
- Pizzaville[®]
- Thai Express®
- Paramount Fine Foods[®]
- Cultures[®]

On level 1, along Main Street, there is a coffee kiosk and 2 retail vendors:

- Tim Horton's[®] coffee kiosk is beside the North Main entrance, close to the Emergency Department
- Rexall[™] drugstore
- HRH Gift Shop

Wi-Fi: There is a free Wi-Fi hot-spot in the Food Court on level 0. To access, choose HRH_GUEST from the list of Wi-Fi Networks available. Once you are connected, you will be asked to agree to the Terms and Conditions.

Patient & Family Resource Centre: The centre, located on level 0, can help you find information on illnesses, diagnostic tests, drugs, community resources and more.

Parking: You can purchase a parking pass from any of the pay stations in the East or West parking garages or at the East or West entrance at level 1 of the hospital. There is also a parking office located in the East parking garage. There are special rates for weekly or monthly passes for your convenience.

Interpretation Service: HRH provides free interpreter services at any time to help you communicate with your health care providers.

Spoken languages and American Sign Language (ASL) interpreters are available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. To request an interpreter, ask your doctor or nurse.

Integrated Bedside

Terminal (IBT): Each room has an IBT that you or your child can use to watch TV, make phone calls, access the internet, or order patient meals. You can also use it to review health information and resources. Please ask your nurse for more information.



Leaving the Hospital

At discharge, please remember to take ALL your belongings with you, including your SMART Discharge Summary folder, which will contain information about follow-up appointments, medications, and instructions to care for your child when you get home.



Parent Resource List

Doctor:

Emergency 9-1-1		
Kids Help Line 1 (800) 668-6868		
Totally Kidz Clinic, Humber River Health (open daily, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)		
Hospital for Sick Children(416) 813-1500		
Poison Control (HSC)(416) 813-5900		
Motherisk		
(Web: http://www.motherisk.org)(416) 813-6780		
Health811 (formerly Telehealth Ontario) (24-hour medical information)		
Public Health Nurse		
Toronto Public Health -		

Healthy Babies, Healthy Children(416) 338-7600

Breastfeeding Clinics (by appointment)

Humber River Health and Toronto Public Health (Walk-in)
Humber River Health (by Appointment)(416) 242-1000 ext. 21450
Black Creek Community Centre
Rouge Valley Health System (Centenary)(416) 281-7332
St. Joseph's Health Centre(416) 530-6367
St. Michael's Hospital(416) 867-7480
Trillium Health Centre(905) 848-7653
Toronto East General Hospital(416) 469-6667
La Leche League(416) 483-3368

Telephone No.:

Lactation Consultant Association	
(Southern Ontario)	(416) 223-4040
Mount Sinai Hospital	(416) 586-4543
York Community Services	16) 653-5400 ext. 300

Breastpump Rentals

Hollister (Egnell-Ameda) rental	
information	. 1 (800) 263-7400
Medella, Breastfeeding National	
Network	. 1 (800) 835-5968
Shoppers Drug Mart, Customer	
Service Line	(416) 490-2880

Counselling/Parent Information

211 Social Services/Community Information 2-1-1
311 Toronto Services
Assaulted Women's Help Line Toll-free1 (866) 863-0511 or (416) 863-0511
Black Creek Community Centre(416) 249-8000
Breaking the Cycle (Substance Abuse) (416) 364-7373
Humber River Health Chemical Dependency Program(416) 242-1000 ext. 43170
Community Mental Health Crisis Response (Mental Health)(416) 498-0043
Distress Centre (24 Hours)(416) 408-4357
Family Service Association (Counselling)(416) 595-9618
Health Canada Product Safety
(cribs, playpens, car seats, etc.)(416) 973-4705
Legal Aid(416) 979-1446
Maternity Benefits
(Canada Employment & Insurance) 1 (800) 206-7218

Ontario Early Years Centre1 (866) 821-7770
Pathways (Substance Abuse) (416) 255-7359 ext. 246
Rexdale Community Health Centre(416) 744-0066
Shelter Hotline
Housing Connections (West Office)(416) 981-6111
Unison Health and Community
Services(416) 787-1661
West End Walk-In Counselling
(Mental Health) (416) 394-2424 ext. 34

Sexual Health

Birth Control & VD Information Centre
(Public Health)(416) 789-4541
Crossways and Jane Street Clinic(416) 338-7272
Talk Shop(416) 338-7000
For free and confidential birth control, STD testing and
treatment, pregnancy testing, counselling and more.

Day Care

Family Day Care Services (Temporary	
and Emergency)	(416) 922-3434
Toronto Children's Services, Parent Res	ources
(Day Care Subsidy)	(416) 392-5437

Homemaking Help

Canadian Red Cross	(416) 236-3894
VHA Home Healthcare	(416) 489-2500

Food Banks

Daily Bread Food Bank	(416) 203-0050
Foodlink Hotline	(416) 392-6655

My Important Contacts:	

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Share your Experience in the Children's Inpatient Unit

We want to provide the best possible care and service to our patients and their families. Soon after your child leaves the hospital, you will receive a survey in the mail regarding the care your child received during their stay on the Children's Inpatient Unit.

This survey is anonymous. By sharing your feedback, you are helping us learn and improve our care and services, as we strive to live our organization's values of compassion, professionalism, and respect.

We appreciate your time and thank you for completing the survey.

For more information, contact the Children's Inpatient Unit: Tel: (416) 242-1000 ext. 45000



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trouble reading this, ask someone to help you.Italian:Queste informazoni sono important! Se ha
difficoltà a leggere questo, chieda aiuto a qualcuno.Spanish:Esta información es importante! Si tiene
dificulta den leer esto, pida que alguien le ayude.