

PICU Staff

Nurses

Nursing staff in PICU are highly trained intensive care nurses who will be with your child 24 hours a day.

Doctors

Intensive care is provided by our PICU team under the leadership of our paediatric intensive care specialists.

Your child will also be reviewed regularly by an assigned paediatric unit that collaborates with PICU staff and will take over the care of your child once they are discharged to one of the children's wards.

Contact us



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parents and carers

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Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU)

The PICU at Monash Childrens is an active, vibrant unit that provides specialised care to children of all ages. Children are treated for a number of conditions that require life-support or an intensive level of nursing and medical care.

While your child is being looked after in our PICU, the whole team will work to provide the very best care and aim to ease the stress you may experience while your child is very sick.

Please feel free to ask any questions to your child's nurse or doctor.

Services available

Ronald McDonald Family Room

This room is located on Level 4 near the paediatric wards (41 North and 42 North) and can be used by all parents whose children are patients in the hospital. Its services include lounges, internet access and playground, as well as kitchen, bathroom and laundry facilities. The RMFR opening hours are variable as it is run by volunteers. Its opening hours are approximately 9.30am to 5pm.

Ronald McDonald House

Accommodation in the Ronald McDonald House is available to families who reside more than 100kms away from the hospital. Accommodation is offered subject to availability and at a small cost.

Car parking and public transport

Multi-level car parking is available on site and accessible 24hours a day. Weekly parking permits are available from the ticket machine in the carpark.

Clayton Railway Station is a 200 metre walk from the hospital. The hospital is also serviced by several bus routes.

Breastfeeding mothers

PICU can supply breast pumps, bottles and storage for mothers who wish to express at the bedside.

- An expressing room is situated in Newborn Services on the 5th floor.
- A lactation consultant is available during business hours for advice and assistance.

Social Work

A Social Worker is available to assist your family with any administrative matters, financial issues, emotional support, as well as with accommodation when required. Nursing staff can refer your family to social work on your behalf.

Additional paediatric services

- Music therapy
- Play Therapy
- Playground
- Starlight Children Captains Starlight Room

Being with your child in PICU

We are supportive of parents and guardians being with their child in PICU whenever they wish.

We do, however, strongly encourage you to use the time your child is with us to look after yourself: to rest and to sleep away from the intensive care environment in order to re-charge and maintain your physical and emotional strength.

PICU visiting hours 11am-4pm and 6-8pm

We ask that visitors other than parents adhere to the ICU visiting hours and that there be no more than two visitors at a time.

