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Introduction

Washington State Department of Health developed the Washington State Perinatal and Neonatal Level of Care Guidelines in 1988. We have revised them multiple times between 1992 and 2018. On June 24, 2024, the Level of Care committee unanimously voted to align the state with national clinical references by referring to the American Academy of Pediatrics level of care document and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists levels of maternal care.

The references below should not be used as regulatory documents but as a guide for hospitals applying for Level II, Level III, or Level IV designations.

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