Center for CDH

The Center for Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia is the only unit in the country dedicated solely to 24/7 CDH care. While national survival rates for challenging CDH cases are 40% to 60%, our survival rate is greater than 90% including the most severe cases. Patient families relocate from around the country and other parts of the world for our care, and we support them with family-centered care. Our specially-trained multidisciplinary team cares for critically ill patients ranging in age from newborn to pediatric across the continuum of care, from admission to discharge.

Unit Overview
- 15-bed unit serving patients of all acuity levels and ages
- Respiratory ECMO center for the hospital
- Typical nurse-patient ratio is 1:1 or 1:2
- Opportunities for clinical advancement and advanced therapy training

Meet Our Team
- 91% of our nurses have BSN or higher
- 15% of our nurses have a certification
- Nurses in our unit come from diverse backgrounds: new graduates, PICU, NICU, CVICU, pediatric acute care and adult care

Recognitions
- 2022-2023 U.S. News & World Report #1 Children’s Hospital in Tampa Bay
- ANCC Practice Transition Accreditation Programme (PTAP) accreditation — RN Residency Program
- Magnet Designation

What to Expect
- Orientation lasts 22 weeks
  - Didactic and simulation training
  - Preceptorship on the unit
  - Exposure to all ranges of acuity
- Off orientation, positions are rotating for the first year in two-month cycles
- Ongoing education
  - Simulations
  - Lectures
  - Hands-on skills competencies

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