



# Monash Health

## Safe Patient Care (Nurse to Patient and Midwife to Patient Ratios) Act 2015 (Incorporating all subsequent amendments)

### Introduction

Monash Health provides the following to meet our reporting obligations under the Safe Patient Care Act 2015 (Nurse to Patient and Midwife to Patient Ratios) with the Safe Patient Care 2015 (the Principle Act).

### Birth Suites

In meeting our obligations under Section 31 (6) of the Principle Act, Monash Health nominates the following Birth Suites:

Site	Number of Birthing Suites
Dandenong Hospital	9
Monash Medical Centre, Clayton	12
Casey Hospital	7
Sandringham Hospital	3



## Monash Health Mixed Wards

In meeting the obligations under section 12A(1) of the Principle Act, Monash Health nominates the following Mixed Wards:

### Casey Hospital

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
<b>Casey Hospital Emergency Department</b>	56 cubicles 14 beds	Resuscitation cubicles	1:1 (AM/PM/ND)	4 resuscitation cubicles
		Non-resus cubicles	1:3 (AM/PM/ND)	52 cubicles
		Short Stay Unit (SSU)	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	14 SSU
<b>IPU2</b>	32	Coronary Care Unit	1:2 (AM/PM) / 1:3 (ND)	4 beds
		General Medical / Surgical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	28 beds
<b>IPU3</b>	32	General Medical / Surgical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	27 beds
		Palliative Care Inpatient	1:4 (AM) / 1:4 (PM) / 1:6 (ND)	5 beds
<b>Ward D</b>	27*	Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	20 beds
		Geriatric Evaluation and Management	1:5 (AM) / 1:6 (PM) / 1:10 (ND)	7 beds
<b>Ward H</b>	30*	Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	20 beds
		Geriatric Evaluation and Management	1:5 (AM) / 1:6 (PM) / 1:10 (ND)	10 beds

### Dandenong Hospital

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
<b>Dandenong Hospital Emergency Department</b>	35 cubicles 20 beds	Resuscitation cubicles	1:1 (AM/PM/ND)	4 resuscitation cubicles
		Non-resus cubicles	1:3 (AM/PM/ND)	31 cubicles
		Short Stay Unit (SSU)	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	20 SSU



### Kingston Centre

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
<b>South 4</b>	29*	Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	16 beds
		Geriatric Evaluation and Management	1:5 (AM) / 1:6 (PM) / 1:10 (ND)	13 beds
<b>South 6</b>	29*	Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	5 beds
		Geriatric Evaluation and Management	1:5 (AM) / 1:6 (PM) / 1:10 (ND)	24 beds
<b>North West 1</b>	32*	Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	12 beds
		Geriatric Evaluation and Management	1:5 (AM) / 1:6 (PM) / 1:10 (ND)	20 beds

### Monash Medical Centre (MMC), Clayton

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
<b>MMC Clayton Emergency Department</b>	65 cubicles 32 beds	Resuscitation cubicles	1:1 (AM/PM/ND)	9 resuscitation cubicles
		Non-resus cubicles	1:3 (AM/PM/ND)	56 cubicles
		Short Stay Unit (SSU)	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	32 SSU
<b>Ward 44</b>	40	Haematology	1:3 (AM/PM) / 1:5 (ND)	23 beds
		Specialty Medicine	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	17 beds
<b>Ward 54</b>	46	Acute Stroke	1:3 (All)	17 beds
		General Medical / Surgical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	29 beds



## Monash Children's Hospital

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
4A Canopy	32 <sup>#</sup>	Oncology	1:3 (All)	10 beds
		General and Specialist Medical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	22 beds
4B Aviary	28 <sup>#</sup>	General and Specialist Medical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	24 beds
		Rehabilitation	1:5 (AM/PM) / 1:10 (ND)	4 beds

## Victorian Heart Hospital (VHH)\*\*

Name of Mixed Ward	Total number of occupied beds in the mixed ward	Relevant Bed Type	The different ratios that apply to each portion of the mixed ward (i.e., 1:3 / 1:4)	Expected number of occupied beds in each portion during the following six-month period
Cardiac Emergency Department	17 cubicles 8 beds	Resuscitation cubicles	1:1 (AM/PM/ND)	2 resuscitation cubicles
		Non-resus cubicles	1:3 (AM/PM/ND)	15 cubicles
		Short Stay Unit (SSU)	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	8 SSU
7A	28	Coronary Care Unit/HDU	1:2 (AM/PM) / 1:3 (ND)	6 beds
		General Cardiac/Surgical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	22 beds
7B	28	Coronary Care Unit/HDU	1:2 (AM/PM) / 1:3 (ND)	6 beds
		General Cardiac/Surgical	1:4 (AM/PM) / 1:8 (ND)	22 beds

\*All 'Mixed Wards' at Kingston Centre and Ward D / H (Casey Hospital) are currently staffed above ratio at 1:5 on the PM shift

# The mixed wards in Monash Children's Hospital are currently staffed above ratio at 1:6 on night shifts for General and Specialist Medical beds

\*\* Provided for completeness, noting that the act does not refer to the Victorian Heart Hospital

Please note that new ratios for Emergency Department Resuscitation cubicles came into effect in 2025 with a staged approach to implementation. Full details can be found at [Safe Patient Care \(Nurse to Patient and Midwife to Patient Ratios\) Amendment Bill 2025 | legislation.vic.gov.au](#) and [Nursing and midwifery - legislation and regulation](#).