

# NEONATAL MIDNIGHT HEAD COUNT REGISTER



UNIT: \_\_\_\_\_

YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

MONTH: \_\_\_\_\_



**KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE**

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## **Purpose:**

The purpose of this register is to daily document the number of babies in the neonatal unit and those receiving specific types of care. These numbers are used to calculate the data element- In-patient days. This reflects the **workload** of the unit.

In-patient days is used as a denominator in various indicators including:

- Bed utilisation rate
- Average length of stay
- In hospital mortality rate
- Case fatality rates
- Infection rate

## **Instructions:**

1. To be completed in duplicate at 2400 daily
2. To be completed by the senior nurse on duty.
3. If more than 40 patients in the unit-use more additional pages
4. **All hospitals:**
  - Include the name of every baby present in the neonatal unit.
  - Place a ✓ under NSIC for every baby.
  - Place a ✓ under NCPAP for every baby currently on NCPAP.
  - Place a ✓ under 24hr KMC for every baby receiving 24hr KMC (This includes babies receiving KMC in a designated KMC unit AND KMC beds within a maternity unit.)
  - Place a ✓ under Lodger mother if the mother is lodging in the hospital.
5. **Regional / Tertiary hospitals only (and District hospitals using urinary catheters):**
  - Place a ✓ under Ventilated if the baby is ventilated.
  - Place a ✓ under Central line if the baby has a central line.
  - Place a ✓ under Urinary Catheter if the baby has a urinary catheter.
6. Total all the ticks in each column.
7. Add the two totals together if more than 20 patients in the unit and all pages totals if more than 40 patients..
8. Submit one copy to the Night matron as per facility policy.
9. The remaining copy should remain in the book.
10. From the remaining copy enter final totals into the Daily DHIS neonatal data sheet.
11. At 0800-Ensure the Data sheet is verified by the senior day nurse.
12. Submit DHIS data sheet to the FIO.

## **Abbreviations:**

NSIC - Neonatal Standard Inpatient Care (This includes every patient in the neonatal and KMC units regardless of whether they are in ICU/HC/GC beds)

NCPAP - Nasal continuous positive airways pressure

KMC - Kangaroo mother care

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number	Baby's name/ B/O (Mother's name) and IP No.	Inpatient days - NSIC	Inpatient day-NCPAP	Inpatient day - Ventilated	Inpatient day - Central line	Inpatient day - Urinary catheter	Inpatient day - 24hr KMC	Inpatient day - Lodger mother	Number	Baby's name/ B/O (Mother's name) and IP No.	Inpatient days - NSIC	Inpatient day-NCPAP	Inpatient day - Ventilated	Inpatient day - Central line	Inpatient day - Urinary catheter	Inpatient day - 24hr KMC	Inpatient day - Lodger mother
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