



Maternal and Neonatal Levels of Care Update

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Purpose of Levels of Care

- Reduce maternal morbidity and mortality and improve the outcomes for newborns
- Encourage risk-appropriate care based on maternal needs
- Ensure that consultation and referral are readily available when high-risk care is needed
- Increase equity in perinatal outcomes

Levels of Care

Maternal

- Level I – Basic Care
- Level II – Specialty Care
- Level III – Subspecialty Care
- Level IV – Regional Perinatal Health Care Centers

Neonatal

- Level II – Special Care Nursery
- Level III – NICU
- Level IV - NICU

Level of Care Designation Fees – Maternal

Maternal	Annual Fee	Survey Fee	Total 3-year Fee	Hospital Responsibility
Level I	\$2,000	\$2,275	\$8,275	\$0
Level II	\$3,000	\$2,275	\$11,225	\$6,000
Level III	\$5,000	\$3,245	\$18,245	\$10,000
Level IV	\$6,000	\$3,245	\$21,245	\$12,000

Level of Care Designation Fees – Neonatal

Neonatal	Survey Fee	GA DPH Subsidy	Hospital Responsibility
Level II	\$13,500	\$6,250	\$7,250
Level III	\$16,000	\$7,500	\$8,500
Level III w/surgery	\$19,500	\$9,250	\$10,250
Level IV	\$21,000	\$10,000	\$11,000
Level IV w/surgery	\$22,000	\$10,500	\$11,500

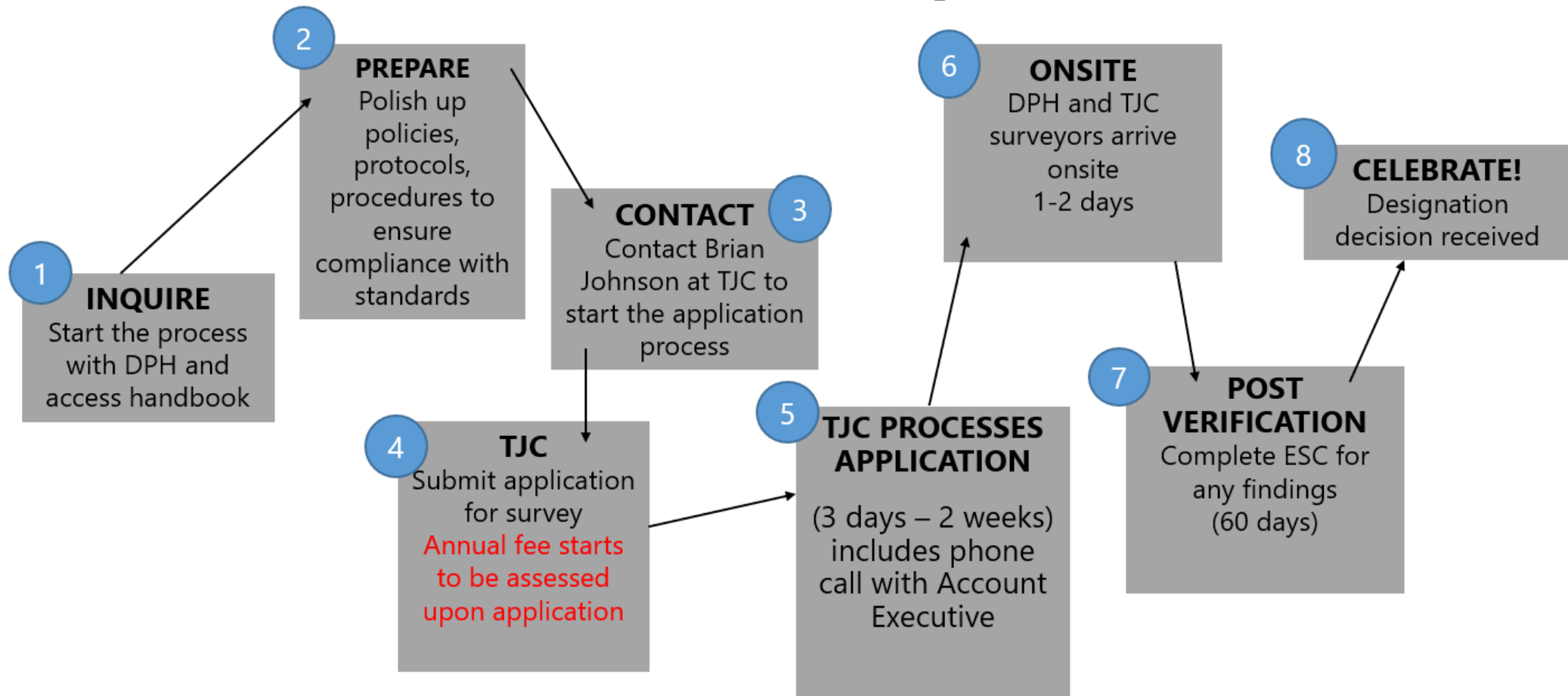
Common Questions

How do we know what Level of Care we are?

Do we have to be a JC accredited hospital to become verified?

Is this a recommendation or a requirement?

Initial Verification Roadmap



Congratulations

Level I

- Coffee Regional Medical Center
- Saint Francis Hospital Emory Healthcare

Level II

- Crisp Regional Hospital
- Colquitt Regional Medical Center
- John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital
- Upson Regional Medical Center

Level III

- Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital (Maternal and Neonatal)
- Northside Hospital Cherokee
- Wellstar Cobb Medical Center

Level IV

- Children's Healthcare of Atlanta-Egleston (Neonatal)
- Northside Hospital Atlanta
- Wellstar MCG Health-Augusta

Questions

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