

### **Blanket Sizes**

#### Isolette

- Isolette size blankets should be 35" x 35"
- Bright colors, please use 100% cotton fabric.
- No batting
- Flannel on the back
- Simple quilting
- Can be made with 1 layer of flannel with binding

Consider making the Bonding Hearts (Lovies) for the families. I will have patches on hand for you to sew together.

The hospital is asking for this size to use for both babies and Isolette.

### Baby/Toddler - 0 to 4 yrs

- Baby/Toddler sized blankets should be 40" x 45"
- Knitted and crocheted blankets must be a tight weave to keep tiny toes and fingers from getting tangled.
- Use cotton fabric, cotton or acrylic yarn. No wool or wool blend yarn.
- Quilts may be machine quilted or tie quilted. If you tie, please use embroidery thread rather than yarn. You can hand quilt.
- If using flannel or fleece backing, no batting needed.

## Child – 5 to 9 yrs

- Child sized blankets should be 45" x 55"
- Use cotton fabric, cotton or acrylic yarn. No wool or wool blend yarn.
- Quilts may be machine quilted or tie quilted. If you tie, please use embroidery thread rather than yarn. You can hand quilt.
- If using fleece backing, no batting needed.

## Tween -10 to 13 yrs

- Pre-teen/Teen sized blankets should be 45" X 60"
- Use cotton fabric, cotton or acrylic yarn. No wool or wool blend yarn.
- Quilts may be machine quilted or tie quilted. If you tie, please use embroidery thread rather than yarn. You can hand quilt.
- If using fleece backing, no batting needed.

# Teen - 14 to 18 yrs

- Teen sized blankets should be 50" X 70"
- Use cotton fabric, cotton or acrylic yarn. No wool or wool blend yarn.
- Quilts may be machine quilted or tie quilted. If you tie, please use embroidery thread rather than yarn. You can hand quilt.
- If using fleece backing, no batting needed

#### We welcome fleece blankets

- Fleece blankets are great for groups to create.
- Suggested size is: Width of fabric x 1 ½ to 2 yards. If you are making a fleece blanket, they can be single or double.
- Use clips instead of straight pins to hold together.
- Please remove selvages. If you have any questions about how to make them, please reach out to us for additional information.
- You can tie, sew or crochet the edges for the fleece blanket.
- We have some great patterns to use.

## Before turning in your blankets

- Check your blanket carefully for straight pins. If possible, use clips, it's better you find that pin and not the child who receives your blanket.
- All Blankets and Fabric must come from a smoke free environment.
- Be careful that blankets are free of pet hair.
- If you do wash your blanket, use a fragrance-free detergent and fabric softener
- Do not put yarn fringe on afghans.

Remember bigger is usually better. Small children can grow into a large blanket, but can quickly grow out of a small one.

Thank you

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