

Guidelines for Perinatal Care

Differences in Levels Between 2007 2012 Editions

Although Level I, Level II and Level III remain in use among many institutions and public agencies, the new guidelines recommend replacing numerical designations with the functional, descriptive designations of basic, specialty, and subspecialty care.

2007 Nomenclature Old Perinatal Partnership Guidelines	2012 Nomenclature New Guidelines from ACOG AAP
Level I	OBSTETRIC: Basic NBN: Level I Well Newborn Nursery
Level IIA and Level IIB	OBSTETRIC: Specialty NBN: Level II Special Care Nursery
Level III (Although 2007 AAP ACOG guidelines gave three levels of Level III, the WVPP guidelines committee chose to have one level of Level III)	OBSTETRIC: Subspecialty NBN: Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit
Level IV No Level IV in old guidelines	OBSTETRIC: Regional subspecialty perinatal health center NBN: Level IV regional neonatal intensive care unit

