# TRANSFER



## A NEWBORN DIAGNOSED WITH NEONATAL OPIOID WITHDRAWAL SYNDROME

### TRANSFER STEPS: DIRECT NICU ADMIT

When it is determined the acuity of an OAT patient may require EHS LifeFlight resources, the request should be made once the patients are accepted to the IWK (second "Yes") as the transfer will be triaged by the LifeFlight Medical Oversight Physician (Neonatal) at the time the request is made. This process will differ from the usual process of accepting the patient to the IWK through the LifeFlight Oversight Physician.

#### TRANSFER REQUIRED

**Step One:** Phone the Emergency Health Services LifeFlight Request Line 1-800-743-1334

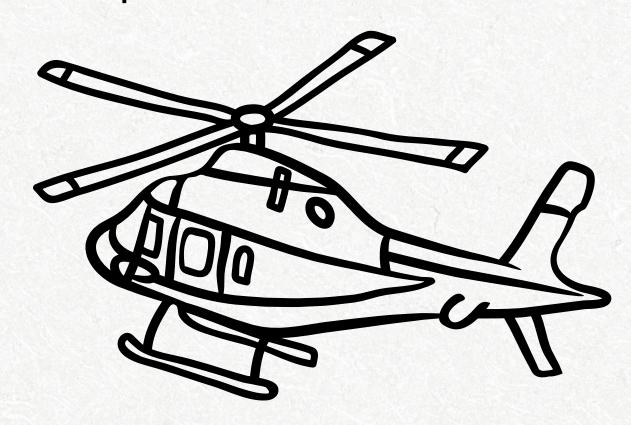
 Advise newborn and birthparent have been accepted to IWK and require OAT transport with possible need for Critical Care team resources.

**Step Two:** LifeFlight Dispatcher will process the request, and a conference will be required between the sending facility physician and the LifeFlight Medical Oversight Physician (Neonatal).

**Step Three:** Once transport for the newborn has been accepted, the EHS dispatcher will assist in planning transport for the birthparent.

• Please note the newborn will travel in an incubator and the birthparent may not be able to travel with the newborn in the LifeFlight Resource.

In these cases ground transport for the birthparent will be arranged as soon as possible.













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### PATIENT INFORMATION AS REQUESTED:

Patient names, birth dates, Health card numbers
Will the patient require medication monitoring or administration?
Is the patient using or in need of any medical equipment for transport?
What is the patient's weight?
When would you like the transfer scheduled?
Will anyone be accompanying the patient?
Are there any infection control issues?
Will the patient be returning to the originating facility?
Can the patient safely sit upright in a wheelchair during transport?
Is the patient ambulatory?





