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**Subject:** New Changes in Admission Process

Good Afternoon

At our Perinatal System meeting, evidence was presented that shows that newborn babies aged 36 weeks gestation and greater do well in the NBN and not separated from their moms. Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, the neonatal staff will evaluate all newborns born at 36 weeks gestation in L&D. All clinically stable newborns will be able to be directly admitted to Nursery and stay with their mothers and will be followed by the pediatric attending. This is a new change as previously, they would go directly to NICU. We will be addressing education needs as well as staffing needs in order to make this a positive transition. Please provide feedback as we adopt this practice change. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Thank you  
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