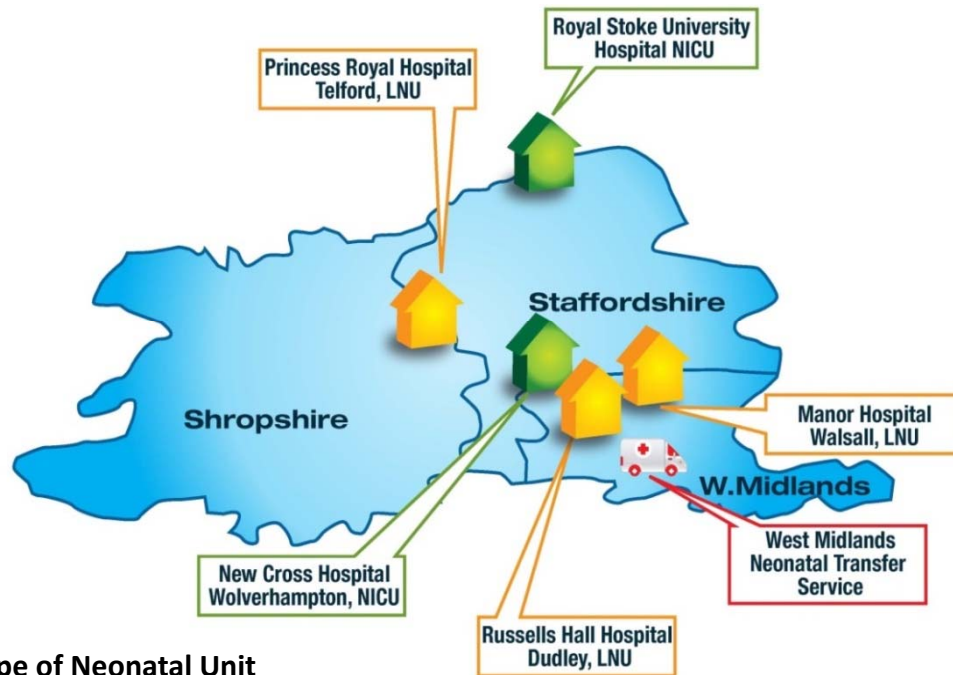


What happens if my baby is born too soon, too small, too sick or needs surgery?



Type of Neonatal Unit

NICU - Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

LNU - Local Neonatal Unit

This is a map of the local network of services for newborn babies who are born too soon, too small, too sick or need surgery.

There are different types of care delivered at each hospital in the network. For this reason it may be necessary to transfer you or your baby to another hospital so that your baby can get the most appropriate care needed. Sometimes this is for intensive or specialist care facilities not available at your hospital. Sometimes it is because all the specialist neonatal cots in your own hospital are occupied.

Transfer of you or your baby only happens when it is absolutely necessary. If you or your baby do need to transfer to another hospital then the clinicians caring for you will explain the reasons why.

We understand that being transferred to another hospital can be stressful. A free app has been developed to give you information about all the neonatal services that your baby may be transferred to in the network including locations and facilities. Please feel free to download the app.

FREE Parent Information app: Available for both iPhone and Android Search “sbcnmn” on the app store



Further Information on Staffordshire, Shropshire & Black Country Newborn and Maternity Network:

Web: <https://www.networks.nhs.uk/nhs-networks/staffordshire-shropshire-and-black-country-newborn/parents>