

LACTATION ACCOMMODATIONS IN RHODE ISLAND HOSPITALS

This list summarizes lactation accommodations available to physicians and employees of hospitals located across Rhode Island. In addition to the resources described below, each room includes a place to sit and an electrical outlet for pump use. This list was compiled through a partnership between MomDocFamily, The Rhode Island Breastfeeding Coalition, and Rhode Island hospitals.

MomDocFamily is a multi-disciplinary organization of women physicians from all stages of career and training that provides mentorship on combining a medical career with motherhood.

The Rhode Island Breastfeeding Coalition is a coalition of community organizations working to protect, promote, and support breastfeeding in Rhode Island. The coalition primarily focuses on increasing breastfeeding knowledge and awareness among breastfeeding families and health care professionals, building community partnerships, and developing community resources.



BRADLEY HOSPITAL

Bradley Hospital has a designated lactation room (Room B13) located in the basement of the Laufer Main Building. It has a couch, a sink, and a lock on the door. Mothers need their own pumps. Contact Jodie Vilardi, Employee Occupational Health RN at extension 2-1265 if you need assistance.

BUTLER HOSPITAL

The designated lactation room is #273 on the 2nd floor of the East Wing. The lock is opened by a Butler Hospital "411" master key. Please contact Ana Tuya Fulton, MD, FACP, Chief of Internal Medicine, at 455-6421/455-6362 or afulton@butler.org if you need assistance.

FATIMA HOSPITAL

Please call Kathy Moren at 884-8273 or email kathy@healthybabieshappymoms.com if you have a contact at this institution that could facilitate the development of a mother's room.

HASBRO CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

The room is available to employees and physicians and is located on Hasbro 4 green pod in Room #470. Access to the green pod requires a Rhode Island Hospital badge. The room includes a comfortable chair and a sink. Employees will need their own pumps. Any employee needing assistance with pumping can contact the Certified Lactation Counselors by paging 350-2896. If this room is not convenient, please contact Elizabeth S. Jacobs, MD, Assistant Professor of Pediatric Emergency Medicine, at 444-6680.

KENT COUNTY HOSPITAL

Physicians needing to pump at Kent should go to the postpartum floor Nurse's Station. Nurses will show you how to use the Ameda Elite pump available for your use and will provide you with a pump kit. They will set you up in a clean patient room and ask that you leave it as you found it. Once you have the initial instructions, you may come and go at will as long as you check in at the Nurse's Station to ask which room they want you to use. If by chance all rooms are in use, you will be able to pump in the lactation office, which has a lock and sign on the door. Please contact the lactation consultant, Jilian Fagre at 737-7010 ext. 3332 if you have any questions or need assistance.

LANDMARK HOSPITAL

There is a room available on the Maternity Unit, located on the 2nd floor, with an Ameda Elite pump accessible for physicians and employees. Anyone interested in using the facility can call the Maternity Unit at extension 2218 for further information and/or details or ask for Nurse Manager Kathy Lamoreaux at extension 2605. An individual patient kit can also be provided if needed.

LIFESPAN CORPORATE OFFICES

There is a designated Lactation Room in the Coro Building located in Coro East, Room 319 with a restroom nearby. Please contact the Human Resource Department at extension 4-8658 to gain access to the room. Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The lactation room is located outside of the elevators on WOOD 2 (same floor as Labor and Delivery). It is not labeled or numbered but it has a lock. Physicians need to bring their own pumps and store their own milk. There is a nice rocking chair, a phone, and a sink. Anyone needing assistance can contact Sue Magee, MD at 729-2237 or the lactation consultant, Michael Fink, at extension 2510.

MIRIAM HOSPITAL

The Miriam Hospital has a designated lactation room in the Surgical Services area on the 2nd floor of the Baxt Building. There is a lock on the door and a sink nearby. Please contact Deirdre D'Ambra or Linda Polseno at extension 3-2273 if you are interested in using the room. At least one of them is available from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Once they show you the room and how to access it, you can come and go as needed.

The Miriam has a 2nd designated lactation room located adjacent to the 1C area of the Emergency Department. This room has computer access, a lock on the door, and a refrigerator. A bathroom with a sink is located across the hall. Please contact Megan Ranney, MD at mranney@lifespan.org and/or Neha Raukar, MD at nraukar@lifespan.org if you are interested in using this room.

The Miriam has a 3rd designated lactation room located in the Center for AIDS Research/RISE Building between 3rd and 4th Streets, near the Immunology Center and the ID, Travel, and TB clinics. This room has computer access, a phone, and a lock on the door. A sink and refrigerator are located outside the room and there is a bathroom across the hall. Please contact Lynn E. Taylor, MD at LTaylor@lifespan.org if you are interested in using this room.

If these locations are not convenient and you need assistance locating another room, please contact one of the following departments:

Employee Health Services, Extension: 3-3125
Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Human Resource Department, Extension: 3-2801
Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m. –5:00 p.m.

NEWPORT HOSPITAL

Allows breastfeeding employees to utilize the maternity floor, where they have continuous access to both a private room and an Ameda Elite pump. Newport will also provide a pump kit to physicians working in the hospital. Rooms are available on Turner 7 in the Birthing Center. Ask anyone at the desk or call 845-1110 for assistance.

RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL

There is a designated lactation room in the Jane Brown South Building in the Division of General Medicine. It is Room 110 and is labeled as the Department of Medicine's Parent Baby Room. It is a private room with a sink, separate restroom, bed, desk, phone, fridge, computer, and "Occupied" sign for the door. If this room is locked, please contact Diane Pardini at 444-5953 during normal working hours. You may also contact security at 444-5221 for access.

If this room is inconvenient, please contact Human Resources or employee Health Services at the following numbers:

Employee Health Services, Grads Dorm, Extension: 4-4038

Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 7:15 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Human Resource Department, Potter Building, Extension: 4-5337

Office Hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

There is another room under construction that is behind the PACU and accessible to the ER and Surgical Suites. Any surgeons and emergency room MDs needing to pump in the meantime should contact one of the following physicians:

Helena Taylor, MD (Plastic Surgeon)
444-2299
htaylor2@lifespan.org

Megan Ranney, MD (ER)
megan_ranney@brown.edu

Beth Ryder, MD (General Surgeon)
BRyder@usasurg.org

ROGER WILLIAMS MEDICAL CENTER

Please contact Lois Brouillard, RN in Employee Health Services at 456-2391 if you need a place to pump.

SOUTH COUNTY HOSPITAL

There is a designated lactation room located on the 2nd Floor Women's Wing with a sink and lock on the door. A Medela Symphony Pump is available for use. Ask an RN at the desk for access to the room. Hospital lactation consultants can be reached at 788-1226 to purchase a Symphony pump kit.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

Please call Kathy Moren at 884-8273 or email kathy@healthybabieshappymoms.com if you have a contact at this institution that could facilitate the development of a mother's room.

VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION MEDICAL CENTER

The Providence VAMC has a designated lactation nook located on the 3rd floor in the changing room for female employees. The area is private, can be locked from the inside, and includes a small table. A bathroom with a sink and a shower is also located in the area. Call Beth Grady, LCSW, Women Veteran Program Manager at 273-7100, ext. 6191 for information.

WARREN ALPERT MEDICAL SCHOOL AT BROWN UNIVERSITY

Exam Room #324 in the Clinical Skills Suite on the 3rd floor of the new medical education building is designated as a lactation room for anyone needing to pump. Please contact Dana Zink, Director of the Clinical Skills Suites at Dana_Zink@brown.edu or 863-5091 if you need to use this room.

WESTERLY HOSPITAL

The Westerly Hospital lactation room is located near the Women's Health Center. It has a Medela Symphony pump, sink, refrigerator, and locker available for breastfeeding physicians and employees. The room is always open when it is not in use and can be locked from the inside. If the room is in use, mothers can use an empty, private room in the Women's Health Center. Women's Health Center staff (348-3365) or Unit Manager Mabel Payne (348-3650) can sell you a Symphony pump kit.

WOMEN & INFANTS HOSPITAL

Women & Infants Hospital has created three employee breast pumping rooms in the hospital, and reserved space in a 4th for visitors and employees. Ameda Elite pumps are available in each of these rooms.

The three employee pumping rooms are located in the NICU, Room 3318; the 5th floor, Room 5005; and the 2nd floor, Room 2206, just outside of the Labor and Delivery area. Each private space, easily accessible by code, has been newly painted and has a comfortable chair. Two of the rooms have shelving units where employees can store their equipment.

As each employee returns to work, she may contact the Lactation Counselors at 274-1122, ext. 4543. The Lactation Counselors will provide her with the various room codes, as well as information on maintaining their milk supply while working. Pumping employees may also contact the nursing supervisor on the appropriate floor for the room codes.

Pump kits can be purchased at the Nursing Moms Store, also on the 1st floor of the hospital. The store number is 453-7940 from outside of the hospital, or ext. 1789 or ext. 1749 from within the hospital. For additional breastfeeding support, please contact our Lactation Consultants through the Warm Line at 1-800-711-7011.