



NEWBORN EMERGENCY TRANSPORT SERVICE MEDICAL GUIDELINES
SECTION: 11

PART 1: OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

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Transport of multiples

The on-call neonatologist must be notified immediately to plan the retrieval.

The Mansell Neocot is able to accommodate twins but:

- There is only one ventilator. You may consider taking the babyPAC ventilator with you. Make sure you take appropriate tubes and all connectors with it.
- There is only one monitor, so may need to take another monitor (e.g. Masimo pulse oximeter)
- RFDS may be able to supply a 2nd Propaq and extra syringe pumps – arrange this when arranging the transport

Check function of the equipment and familiarise yourself with it before leaving!

Depending on the mode of transport, distance of transport and the severity of illness of the patients, the decision, after discussion with the consultant and all other involved parties will be to:

- Either transport twins in one cot using a second set of equipment (a second nurse may be required)
- Send out a second NETS team
- If no second NETS team is available consider “back to back” transfers.