3 Things to Know about your baby and their CTICU recovery:

It is likely that your baby will be swollen when they arrive in CTICU. This can be very upsetting for parents to see. Swelling usually goes down within 3 – 5 days.



Your baby's chest may still be open due to this swelling.

In such cases, our surgeons will suture the chest together again when the swelling has gone down.

This will be done in the CTICU.

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Our CTICU ratio of nurses to patients is 1:1. This means that your baby will have 24/7 care by a team of nurses specifically dedicated to them.







change a wound dressing







Remove the old dressing and dispose of it.







Wash your hands with warm water and soap again.

Dry them and put on gloves.

Apply the new dressing and secure it in place.



Therapies some Warriors may need:



Occupational Therapy

Helps with fine motor skill development, movement, balance and with sensory processing and regulation.





Speech Therapy In cases where a feeding tube was used, speech therapy is often needed to assit with speech development and oral aversions.

Play Therapy

Helps warriors and their siblings to integrate trauma from hospitalization / medical procedures. Play therapy improves behaviour, helps children develop resillience to deal with difficulties and reduces anxiety / depression