

Complex Respiratory Care - St. Amant Ventilator Project

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Children who are ventilator dependent are currently cared for on an inpatient acute care unit at Children's Hospital. As the child reaches adulthood, they are then required to transition to an alternate care setting which is often disruptive to the patient and family. River Road Place can provide a more appropriate residential setting of care and continuity of care once the child reaches adulthood which would be more patient-focused.

The project goal is to establish a new 5 bed service at River Road Place with capacity to support children who are ventilator dependent. This will include the identification of the physical space which will best support the care of the patients, renovations as required, acquisition of equipment and supplies, development of the appropriate staffing plan and the operational implementation of the new unit. This project will involve the transfer of eligible children currently at Children's Hospital who are ventilator dependent to this new location at River Road Place.