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INTRODUCTION

General

370.2.00 Cardiac patients have special needs. They are often fully aware of their surroundings but still need immediate and critical emergency care. In addition to the standards for ICUs above, the following shall apply to the Coronary Care Unit (CCU).

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370 .3.00 PATIENT BEDS

It is preferable that each cardiac patient has a separate room or cubicle for acoustic and visual privacy.

370 .4.00 A minimum of 50% of CCU patients shall be accommodated in One Bed Patient Rooms.

370 .5.00 PATIENT TOILETS

Cardiac patients shall have access to a shared Ensuite - Special.

Functional Relationships

370 .6.00 The Intensive Care - Coronary may be co-located with Intensive Care - General. It should have ready access to the Operating Unit, Medical Imaging Units, Emergency Unit and Cardiac Inpatient Units.



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370 .7.00 MONITORING

Equipment for monitoring cardiac patients shall have provision for visual display at both the bed location and the Staff Station. Additional space requirements to be considered to allow for additional monitoring equipment.

APPENDICES

Schedule of Accommodation

370 .8.00 Refer to the Generic Schedule of Accommodation for ICU - General which also applies to ICU - Coronary.

References and Further Reading

370.9.00

- American Institute of Architects, Guidelines for Design & Construction of Hospital & Healthcare Facilities, 1997.
- Health Department Western Australia, Private Hospital Guidelines, 1998.