

# 340B<sup>IN</sup> ACTION

UnityPoint Health – Sioux City

St. Luke's Regional Medical Center | Sioux City, Iowa



## 340B By The Numbers

**\$6.7**  
million

Annual 340B Savings

**\$19.3**  
million

Safety Net Community Benefit

**2,200+**

Annual Births

**~400**

Annual NICU Babies

## Supporting Complex Maternal and Infant Care

St. Luke's Regional Medical Center is the only Level II Regional Obstetrical facility in northwest Iowa. This heightened level of care is provided in a contemporary, home-like setting where a mother can be in labor, deliver, and begin recovery with all the safety of the hospital's modern medical care.

**Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).** 340B savings have allowed St. Luke's NICU to care for **nearly 400 babies annually** utilizing technologically advanced equipment. NICU benefits include:

- **Private rooms** to promote family bonding
- **Special rooms** to accommodate multiple births
- Advanced, video-monitored **security**
- **State-of-the-art developmental aids**, such as twinkling light technology, known to soothe and aid in the development of babies

**NICU Transport Vehicle.** 340B savings funded in part a NICU Transport Vehicle to **provide Siouxland patients with more timely access to NICU care.** Its primary purpose is to transport NICU staff to the bedside when advanced care is needed in neighboring rural communities and to transport newborns to St. Luke's NICU for continued care and monitoring as needed. The NICU Transport Vehicle comes equipped with industry standard safety features and can carry up to five people, including a driver, one to two NICU nurses, an advanced practice provider, and a respiratory therapist.

"This vehicle will be transporting Siouxland's tiniest and most precious cargo," says UnityPoint Health – St. Luke's Chief Nursing Executive, Wendy Lindley. "Providing access to high quality care in all the communities we serve is a priority and it will make a massive impact on patients in these rural areas."

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St. Luke's uses **Contract Pharmacies** to enable patient access to affordable medications and support many patient programs. **Manufacturer restrictions on contract pharmacies threatens more than \$250,000 from our communities.** Savings that would have supported patient programs are instead retained by drug manufacturers.