



## We are wholeheartedly advancing the level of care for our mothers and babies.

For more than 100 years, Ascension Seton Medical Center Austin has devoted itself to providing mothers and their babies with the highest level of care, including physician specialists that serve Ascension Seton Medical Center and Dell Children's, the region's only dedicated freestanding pediatric facility. This devotion now drives our ambitious efforts to advance the level of care we currently offer. Too many times, moms with complicated delivery issues cannot afford to receive the help they need in other hospitals. Ascension Seton created the first Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) in our region (now Level III) and provides direct access to Dell Children's NICU (Level IV), but the flagship facility needs to be reconfigured and right-sized to advance the level of care we can provide.

### FUNDING PRIORITIES

Expand the Maternal Fetal Medicine program to care for more complicated and high-risk deliveries so that mothers do not have to leave town.

Modernize and re-engineer our space to improve efficiency and to advance care for high risk deliveries.

Enhance support of the NICU's family social- and emotional-support programs for our most vulnerable moms.

Develop nutritional support for vulnerable patients to aid in their healing.

Create private rooms in the NICU to allow for more intimate bonding between mother and child.

352,600

PREGNANCIES

are considered high risk each year.

47%

OF MOTHERS

who deliver babies at Ascension Seton are under- and/or un-insured.

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ALTERNATIVES

exist for mothers and babies who can't afford the expense of travel for complicated deliveries.