

Annexe 3 :

Table 2 Nine Equivalents of Nursing Manpower use Score :

Item	Points
1. Basic monitoring : hourly vital signs, regular record and calculation of fluid balance	9
2. Intravenous medication: bolus or continuously, not including vasoactive drugs	6
3. Mechanical ventilatory support : any form of mechanical/assisted ventilation, with or without PEEP (e.g., continuous positive airway pressure), with or without muscle relaxants	12
4. Supplementary ventilatory care : breathing spontaneously through endotracheal tube; supplementary oxygen any method, except if (3) applies	3
5. Single vasoactive medication: any vasoactive drug	7
6. Multiple vasoactive medication: more than one vasoactive drug, regardless of type and dose	12
<p>7. Dialysis techniques : all</p> <p>8. Specific interventions in the ICU: such as endotracheal intubation, introduction of pacemaker, cardioversion, endoscopy, emergency operation in the past 24 h, gastric lavage; routine interventions such as X-rays, echocardiography, electrocardiography, dressings, introduction of venous or arterial lines, are not included</p> <p>9. Specific interventions outside the ICU: such as surgical intervention or diagnostic procedure; the intervention/procedure is related to the severity of illness of the patient and makes an extra demand upon manpower efforts in the ICU</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5</p> <p>6</p>