

What is hospital medicine?

Hospital medicine is a medical specialty—just like cardiology and oncology are specialties. Our hospital medicine team is in charge of your care around the clock during your hospital stay.

The team includes specially trained medical doctors as well as advanced practice clinicians such as nurse practitioners and physician assistants.

What is a hospitalist?

Hospitalists are medical doctors who specialize in the care of patients in the hospital. They may have the initials MD or DO after their names. Most are board-certified in either internal medicine or family medicine.

What are advanced practice clinicians?

Advanced practice clinicians are nurse practitioners and physician assistants with advanced education and training. Advanced practice clinicians on our hospital medicine team are specially trained to care for hospitalized patients. They may have the initials ARNP or PA-C after their names.



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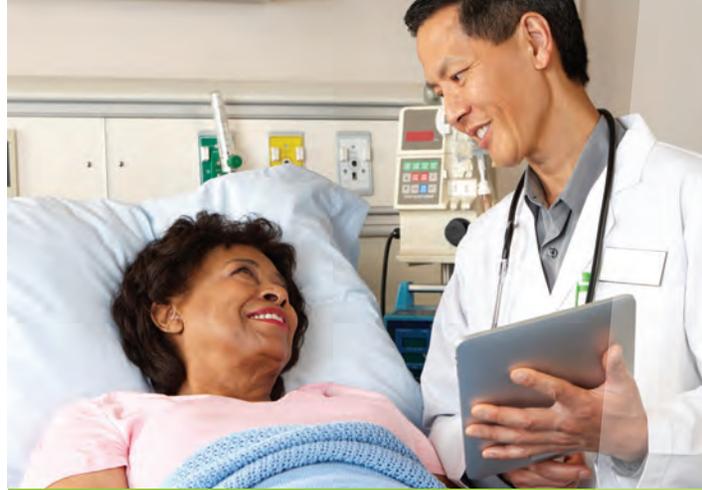
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Caring for you like family

Our entire hospital medicine team is especially skilled at explaining procedures, answering questions and reducing anxiety for patients and their loved ones. We care for you as we would for our own family. Our standard is compassionate, high-quality care for all people.



Providing you with excellent care

We care for you around the clock to ensure a high-quality experience throughout your stay.

Collaborating with other specialists, consultants and caregivers, we:

- Order tests needed to diagnose and treat your condition
- Consult with the care team to plan your care
- Monitor to assure your care is safe, effective and efficient

Comprehensive, well-coordinated, around-the-clock care centered on you

Communicating with you and your family

- Listening to you to learn how you are doing and what is important to you
- Explaining your condition and care in a way you can understand and answering your questions

Coordinating your safe discharge and transfer

- Contacting your primary doctor, surgeon or other specialist for information important to your care
- Planning for your transfer out of the hospital and for appropriate follow-up care

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to ask a member of your hospital medicine team.