



INFORMATION WHILE YOU ARE IN THE HOSPITAL.....

WHO WILL BE IN CHARGE OF MY CARE WHILE I AM IN THE HOSPITAL?

Entira Family Clinics primary care providers no longer visit patients in the hospital setting. This allows us to focus on quality care, patient satisfaction and cost effectiveness in the clinics. We have partnered with hospitalists who will ensure that your needs are met while you're in the hospital. The hospitalists keep us informed of your progress through direct communication and with written reports.

WHAT IS A HOSPITALIST?

Hospitalists are doctors and nurse practitioners who specialize in providing care for hospitalized patients.

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF A HOSPITALIST?

Hospitalists work solely in the hospital and do not run a traditional clinic practice. This allows them to be more available to patients and their families during their stay in the hospital. Because their specialty is hospital based care, a hospitalist is able to stay current with the standards of care in a hospital setting. Hospitalists are able to focus their ongoing education on the newest trends in hospital care. This allows them to deliver up-to-date high quality care.

Hospitalists care for patients during the day and at night. A member of the hospitalist team is available 24/7.

WHAT CAN I EXPECT FROM THE HOSPITALIST?

- You can expect the hospitalist to visit you at least once each day.
- To manage your care and ensure your care is delivered in a way that is timely and efficient.
- Timely communication with your primary doctor (the hospitalist usually communicates with your primary doctor when you are admitted, when you are discharged and as needed during your stay).
- Timely responses to questions regarding your care.
- When necessary, the hospitalist will come back to see you a second time during the day to answer questions or further move your care forward.
- If a family care conference is needed, a meeting will be arranged. If you would like to request a care conference, please ask a member of your care team.
- When you are discharged from the hospital, the hospitalist will send a summary of your hospital care to your primary care physician.

HOW TO CONTACT THE HOSPITALIST?

Bethesda HealthEast Hospitalist	651-326-2400
St John's HealthEast Hospitalist	651-326-7200
St Joseph's HealthEast Hospitalist	651-326-3700
Entira Family Clinics' Hospitalist at St. Joseph's for West St. Paul, Highland & Inver Grove Heights Clinic patients: Drs. Rotilie, Toman & McGraith round from 8-11 am; call nurse's station if patient or family wants to speak with RTM physician	
Woodwinds HealthEast Hospitalist	651-232-0395