

Meet your care team!

Thank you for choosing MedStar Health for your care.

During your hospital stay, a hospitalist will lead your care.

A hospitalist is a doctor or nurse practitioner who specializes in caring for patients while they are in the hospital.

Some patients are also cared for by resident physicians, who work closely with the hospitalist.



Think of your hospitalist as your **primary care provider** while you are in the hospital.



Your hospitalist works closely with your:

1

Nurse

Manage your day-to-day care and keeps the team updated

2

Specialist doctors

Doctors such as cardiology or gastroenterology (GI) providers

3

Pharmacists

Help manage your medications

4

Physical and occupational therapists (as applicable)

Help improve body movements and independence.

5

Case managers and social workers

Help plan for a safe discharge

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Other members

Dietitians, speech therapists, radiology technicians, patient care technicians, and other team members may also help provide the best care for you.

Your hospitalist reviews your progress each day and works with the care team to determine when you are ready to safely leave the hospital. Even if one specialist feels your condition has improved, your hospitalist will look at the full picture to decide with you when it is safe to discharge.

A hospitalist team member will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to care for you.

Your hospitalist may change during your stay as physicians rotate schedules, but each will continue your care plan to provide the best care for you.

Name of your hospitalist:

Questions for your hospitalist: _____

If you have questions or concerns at any time, please let your nurse know. Your nurse can help answer questions or contact the hospitalist and other care team members when needed.

It's how we treat people.