



BWF Hospitalist Service

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An Informative Guide for Patients

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What is a Hospitalist?

Now that you have been admitted to the hospital, your primary care physician has asked a special group of physicians- called hospitalists- to care for you.

The hospitalist is a physician who specializes in caring for hospitalized patients. Just like your primary care doctor, hospitalists are trained in general internal medicine and other specialties. However, because hospitalists do not maintain outside clinics, they can focus all their attention on patients inside the hospital.

The hospitalist will stay in close contact with you, your family, and your primary care doctor.

How Does The Hospitalist Work With My Doctor?

- Since your primary care doctor spends most of the day in the medical office, he or she cannot always be at your bedside when emergencies or concerns arise.
- When you are admitted to the hospital, your primary care doctor communicates with the hospitalist about your condition and transfers the management of your care to the hospitalist.
- The hospitalist develops a plan with your primary care doctor, who is always given the latest information on your progress and treatment.
- Prior to your discharge from the hospital, the hospitalist has consulted with your doctor to plan your future course of care.
- This two-way communication between the hospitalist and your primary care doctor enables a smooth transfer of care back to your primary care doctor.

How Can The Hospitalist Benefit Me?

- Having a hospitalist on staff is like having your doctor just down the hall from your room at Brigham and Women's Hospital or Faulkner Hospital.
- If you or your family members have any questions or concerns, the hospitalist can easily be contacted.
- Your hospitalist has special expertise about how the hospital works

What Happens When I Leave The Hospital?

The Hospitalist will ensure that key information will be communicated to your primary care doctor well before your first follow-up visit. Your Hospitalist is available through the page operator to you and your family after discharge, until your first follow-up appointment with your doctor.