



HOSPITALIST PROGRAM

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The Hospitalist Program at South Nassau:

When you are admitted to South Nassau, your doctor may refer you to the care of one of the Hospitalists—a staff physician who specializes in caring for patients admitted to the hospital for treatment. As the name implies, hospitalists work exclusively in a hospital setting. A Hospitalist will attend to your daily needs throughout your hospital stay, from admission to discharge. Once you are discharged from South Nassau, you will be returned to the care of your regular physician.

What is a Hospitalist?

Hospitalists are physicians who specialize in managing the care of patients while they are in the hospital (inpatient care). The Hospitalists at South Nassau are all Primary Care Physicians that specialize in either Family Medicine or Internal Medicine. They focus their careers on those medical conditions that require hospitalization and do not have outpatient private practices. They are experts in inpatient care.

How does the Hospitalist Program work?

If you are admitted to South Nassau either through the Emergency department or by referral from your doctor, our Hospitalists will evaluate your condition and in coordination with your doctor, establish a plan of care for you. They will communicate between any specialist consultant that is required for your care and serve as a point of contact for doctors, nurses, and family members. Their availability as stationed within the hospital makes them the ideal point person to answer your questions, give updates, and delineate a comprehensive plan of care. Basically, our Hospitalist will serve as your primary care physician during your stay.

At discharge, the Hospitalist will communicate with your doctor to discuss your additional treatment needs, help arrange follow-up care and prescribe the necessary medications. The Hospitalist will also send a copy of your hospital records to your doctor for continuity.

What services do the Hospitalists provide?

Hospitalists keep a close eye on you. Since your Hospitalist works only in the hospital, they see you as often as necessary and can arrange for immediate tests and assessments. Your Hospitalist knows every specialist and department in the hospital, which will assist you through a smooth and speedy recovery process, by following up on tests and adjusting your treatment regimen based on those test results.

Hospitalists answer your questions. Our Hospitalists are here to provide answers in person whenever possible. They are on-site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

What happens when I am discharged from the hospital?

When you are discharged from South Nassau, our Hospitalist will provide you with prescriptions for any medications you will need, help arrange follow-up care and forward a copy of your hospital records to your primary care physician.

How do I reach the Hospitalists?

The South Nassau Hospitalists can be reached at 516-632-3666. Within the hospital itself, please dial 3666.