



Physician's guide to **LONG-TERM ACUTE CARE**

Long-term acute care

When a patient has medically complex needs that require special attention and care, long-term acute care may be the most appropriate option. Our long-term acute care hospital is accredited by The Joint Commission and Medicare. Our hospital provides a comprehensive and aggressive medical team specifically designed to care for patients who are medically complex and have conditions that may require a prolonged recovery time.

A specialized setting for complex needs

Our program delivers a careful balance of highly specialized medical care and compassionate, personalized attention. Our facility is specially designed for those individuals who are medically complex and require a longer length of stay in an acute care hospital environment.

Our staff is comprised of:

- Board-certified physicians
- ACLS-certified registered nurses
- Licensed practical/vocational nurses
- Certified nursing assistants
- ACLS-certified respiratory therapists
- Physical therapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists
- Registered/licensed dietitians-certified nutrition support
- Registered health information administrators
- Case managers/social workers

An interdisciplinary team of professionals meets regularly to formulate, review and update each patient's individualized plan of care. We include the family in the plan of care to meet the goals and expectations of the patient and the family. We also provide a comprehensive discharge plan to ensure care is delivered appropriately after the patient leaves our hospital.

Types of medical issues we treat

Our hospital provides a comprehensive, individualized approach to treat a wide range of complex medical illnesses including the following:

- Cardiovascular disorders
- Infectious diseases
- Respiratory conditions
- Neuromuscular diseases
- Neurological disorders
- Hematological disorders
- Renal disease
- Diabetes management
- Post-surgical recovery

Types of services we provide

The following services are provided by our professionals to treat our population of medically complex patients:

- Telemetry/cardiac monitoring
- Respiratory therapy
- Ventilator management and weaning
- Antibiotic therapy
- Wound care, including the use of negative pressure wound therapy
- Hyperbarics
- Nutritional assessment and support
- Case management
- Discharge planning
- Patient education
- Therapy services (physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy)

Not all services are available at all locations.

Continuous quality improvement

Our hospital is committed to consistently delivering the highest-quality health care possible to the patients, families and communities we serve. Our care is delivered in a manner that is both cost-effective and non-restrictive while maintaining the utmost respect for privacy, dignity and individuality. Our continuous quality improvement plan allows for a systematic, coordinated approach to establishing individualized plans of care that exceed the regulatory industry standard.

Admission process

Patients can be referred to our hospital by a variety of sources, including physicians, social workers, case managers, nursing homes, family, caregivers or the patients themselves. Qualified staff will perform a pre-screening evaluation. On-site assessments may be performed. We accept Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurances. Pre-admission team conferences can be arranged to discuss patient and family goals. If necessary, transportation will be arranged by the hospital.

Call your local facility today for more information.