

NO PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN?

If you do not have a primary care physician, the hospitalist will coordinate referral to one of our affiliated physicians or one of your choice. You can also call the Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center's Physician Referral Line at 909.865.9782, anytime.

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR HOSPITALIST

Ask your nurse to page the hospitalist on duty or call to leave a message at ext. 7158.

THANK YOU FOR CHOOSING POMONA VALLEY HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER.

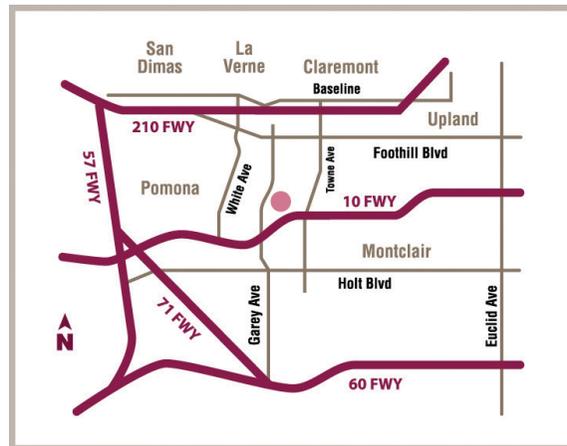
Our goal is to exceed your expectations and we look forward to hearing feedback regarding your care.

For more information visit us at: pvhmc.org



Nationally recognized, Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center is the area's leading provider of comprehensive health care with centers of excellence in cancer, heart and vascular, kidney stones, and women and children's services. We also have an award-winning emergency department and neighborhood health centers for quality health care close to home. Through our expert physicians and advanced technology, we offer the perfect blend of state-of-the-art medical treatment and personalized care.

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If you are in need of in-hospital services at **Pomona Valley Hospital Medical Center**, a physician known as a **"Hospitalist"** may coordinate your care.

WHAT IS A HOSPITALIST?

Just as there are physician specialists for your knees, heart, and eyes, there are also physicians known as hospitalists, who specialize in caring for you when you are hospitalized.

WHAT DOES A HOSPITALIST DO?

Your own primary care provider may request that a hospitalist be in charge of your care during your hospital stay. If that is the case, you have the benefit of being seen by a physician whose practice is entirely focused on the care of a hospitalized patient. If you did not have a primary care physician and came to the Emergency Department, a hospitalist will be involved in every aspect of your hospital stay, including;

- Collaborating with other physician specialists, case managers, nurses and others who might be involved in your care
- Ordering tests, medications, and treatments
- Communicating regularly with you, your family, and your primary care physician (*if you have one*)

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF HAVING A HOSPITAL BASED PHYSICIAN?

First priority

You are the hospitalist's first priority. No matter what time of day, a hospitalist is always available. They possess current clinical knowledge to ensure best practice in hospital care.

Quality care

In case of emergency while you are hospitalized, your hospitalist is nearby and can respond quickly to changes in your condition and will follow up on tests and adjust treatment throughout the day as necessary. Your hospitalist knows every specialist and department in the hospital.

On-site care

A hospitalist is available 24 hours a day seven days a week.

Quicker discharge

It is difficult for your primary care physician to see patients in the office and in the hospital at the same time. The in-hospital hospitalist can give discharge approval sooner and get you on your way home earlier.

Improved communication

You and their family members have the opportunity for more frequent one-to-one contact with the hospitalist, ensuring that your questions are promptly answered.

Shorter wait times for a bed

The hospitalist speeds up the process of getting you admitted from the Emergency Department.



WHY MIGHT I SEE SEVERAL HOSPITALIST PHYSICIANS DURING MY STAY?

Our Hospitalists work as a team and are available 24 hours a day. Therefore, you may see more than one physician during your stay.

WHEN DOES THE HOSPITALIST CARE END?

Hospitalist practice strictly in the hospital setting, therefore care ends when you are discharged from the hospital.

HOW WILL MY PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN KNOW ABOUT MY CONDITION?

A hospitalist will talk to your primary care physician at the time of admission to obtain important records. A hospitalist will communicate with your primary care physician to report on your case while in the hospital and to plan follow-up care after your discharge. At discharge, the hospitalist communicates with your primary care physician to discuss any treatment you need, arrange follow-up care and prescribed medications. A summary of your hospital stay will be sent to your primary care physician for your record.