

Academic Medical Center Treatment Team

The staff of Washington University Medical Center appreciates your trust in selecting us for your care. Our team strives to provide high-quality treatment in an open and welcoming environment.

All of our physicians are faculty members of the Washington University School of Medicine.

In this role, they are responsible for the training and education of medical students, residents and fellows. Our physicians chose to work at Washington University in large part because they believe in the importance of educating future doctors and perpetuating the expertise shared with them by physicians during their own training.

Washington University attracts some of the finest medical students, residents and fellows in the entire country.

In the clinic and in the hospital, you will often have the opportunity to meet with your treatment team. They will speak with you about your care, and may, with direct supervision, participate in portions of your exam. By allowing their participation, you are contributing greatly to their education. Should you have specific concerns you would like to address with your doctor only, please let one of the staff know when you check in and they will accommodate your request.

We are truly grateful for your help as we strive to provide the best possible care and, at the same time, fulfill our educational mission.



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- **Attending Physicians** - Washington University full-time physicians, board certified in their medical specialty, are responsible for every patient's care.

You will see at least one attending physician, but may also receive care from the physician team, including:

- **Fellows** - licensed physicians who have completed medical school and a three to seven year specialty residency in an accredited hospital. They are now getting additional one to three years training in advanced specialty fields like anesthesiology, oncology, vascular surgery or neurosurgery.
- **Residents** - licensed physicians who have completed medical school and are undergoing additional training to become board certified in a specialty, such as pediatrics or gynecology. If you are an inpatient, you will see residents on daily rounds, checking your progress. The Barnes-Jewish Center for Outpatient Health is a resident clinic. Low-cost care is provided by residents, always supervised by an attending physician.
- **Medical Students** - students who have earned a bachelor's degree and are working towards their medical degree. They learn the principles and practices of medicine in simulated labs and may participate in the team visits to your bedside.
- **Advanced Practice Nurses and Physician Assistants** - nationally licensed health-care providers who are trained at the master's degree level in their fields. They are authorized to perform certain treatments and patient education under the direction of the attending physician.



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