

Advocate Bethany Hospital

In 2006, Advocate Bethany Hospital, which has served Chicago's West Side community for more than 85 years, became the area's first and only hospital to provide care for patients with complex medical conditions requiring a longer hospital stay. This is a very specialized approach to medical care, through which patients get highly focused care from a team of experts. Because patients stay at Bethany for at least 25 days, the team has plenty of time to provide the individualized care that is needed. The goal is a simple one—to help each patient return to the best physical condition possible.

Overview

- An 85-bed specialty hospital providing comprehensive care for patients who require an extended hospital stay
- Outstanding integrated and multidisciplinary team of specialist physicians with 24-hour/7-day-a-week coverage, as well as therapists (respiratory, physical, occupational, and speech-language), clinical dietitians, psychologists, case managers, clinical pharmacists and the nursing staff
- A comprehensive range of outpatient services, including: Imaging x-ray, CT, ultrasound, mammography, lab testing, and outpatient chemotherapy, outpatient surgery
- Standby emergency room services, providing care for minor illnesses and injuries

Clinical Excellence

- Provides care for patients with a range of complex medical conditions, including respiratory and pulmonary conditions, kidney disease, cancer, and heart disease
- Offers patients comprehensive in-hospital services, including: telemetry/cardiac monitoring; cardiopulmonary care and services; Special Care Unit with 24-hour electronic expert monitoring (eICU); comprehensive radiology/imaging services; laboratory services and blood bank; and in-hospital surgical services

Advanced Technology

- Bethany is the only Chicago-area hospital of its kind to offer special care unit beds equipped with eICU®, Advocate Health Care's innovative electronic monitoring technology. The eICU® does not replace bedside care; rather, it provides an "extra set of eyes" when checking vital signs or assisting bedside

teams when decisions need to be made quickly...even in the middle of the night. The eICU® is staffed by intensive care physicians, nurses and health assistants at Advocate Health Care who assist in monitoring ICU patients 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Patients at Bethany Hospital who require intensive care will have an experienced intensive care team, specially trained in critical medicine, monitoring and contributing to their care 24 hours a day. If needed, the remote eICU® staff can visually monitor and speak with a patient, or a member of the on-site medical staff.

Community Commitment

Advocate Bethany Hospital continues its longstanding commitment to its community through a number of programs, including:

- Community Outreach Program, providing health information and screenings to area schools and community organizations
- Congregational Health Program, a partnership between Bethany and local congregations that enhances the Hospital's ability to make sure community residents get the care they need
- Advocate Bethany Hospital Community Health Fund, which provides funds to address health disparities and other significant health and wellness issues in Bethany's community
- Access@Bethany, an on-site health clinic providing affordable primary care for children and adults