

Specialty Units

Emergency Department (ED)

A 63-bed unit comprised of four care areas:

- **Main Emergency Department** – for ill or injured patients with complex or serious conditions.
- **FastCare** – for patients with minor ailments including colds, sore throats, small lacerations or cuts, sprains and simple broken bones.
- **Trauma/Resuscitation** – Level I Trauma Center for patients with serious injuries.
- **Behavioral Health** – evaluation and treatment for acute behavioral health issues.

On average, the ED cares for 300 – 400 patients per day with both chronic and acute issues. Conditions treated range from minor ailments to more serious conditions such as strokes, heart attacks, motor vehicle accidents, farming accidents, gunshot wounds and stabbings. A 40,000-square-foot expansion of the Lancaster General Hospital Emergency Department will help address increasingly high demand for emergency services throughout the region.

Acute Treatment Unit - ACU (2 West)

A 16-bed unit developed to help the admission process of patients from the emergency department (ED) or the direct admit process. The nursing staff within this unit actively admit and transport patients from the ED. While the patient is present in the ATU, the nursing staff facilitates the admission process and paperwork. Once an inpatient bed is available, they transport the patient to the receiving unit. The average length of stay is under four hours.

Renal Dialysis

A 9-patient unit that serves the chronic renal dialysis, acute injury, peritoneal dialysis and apheresis patient population. The nursing team collaborates closely with the only Nephrology group in Lancaster County – Hypertension and Kidney Specialists. The Renal Dialysis Unit is the largest inpatient dialysis center in the county. The dialysis unit has 11 B-BRAUN HD machines and a state-of-the-art RO system and loop.

Supplemental Staff

A team of experienced nursing staff who support care/staffing needs across a variety of departments, including critical care, med-surg and observation. The supplemental staff allows these staff members to interact with several different patient population in the continuum of care.

IV Team

The Vascular Access Team is a nursing team that works to improve patient vascular care and outcomes. They provide leadership, mentoring and promote evidence-based practice, while demonstrating relationship-based care to individuals with the goal to progress toward a healthier community. The Vascular Access Team facilitates the vascular needs at Lancaster General Hospital and Women & Babies Hospital, while also collaborating with members of our community.

Critical Care

5 East/West

A 38-bed cardiothoracic vascular surgery step-down unit that for the recovery and education of post-op cardiothoracic and vascular surgery patients. This unit utilizes the latest technology and protocols to provide the best care for patients postoperatively from procedures such as left ventricular assist device implantation, TAVR, TMVR, MitraClip, peripheral vascular bypass, amputations, open-heart surgery,

TCAR, VATS and thoracotomies to name a few. This unit works cohesively as a team to provide learning opportunities to staff as the specialty changes with new procedures and process improvements.

Trauma Neuro Unit (5 Lime)

A 16-bed critical care unit that cares for trauma and neurological injuries. The average patient age on this unit is 60 though the unit has seen patients as young as 17. The most common injuries treated are blunt injuries due to falls and motor vehicle accidents. Additionally, this unit treats patients recovering from gunshot wounds, stabbings and farm accidents. Other conditions treated include neurological conditions such as strokes, brain bleeds, brain tumors and seizures. Lancaster General Hospital is a Joint Commission-Certified Primary Stroke Center and the first and only hospital in Lancaster County to perform mechanical thrombectomy, an advanced procedure for physically retrieving a blood clot from a brain vessel. The unit has cared for the COVID population in the past year.

Intensive Care Unit (6 Lime)

A 32-bed mixed medical-surgical ICU. This unit cares for critically ill patients, including those who may be on a ventilator and life-sustaining medications. The patient population includes open-heart surgery patients and critically ill COVID patients. The team cares for ECMO, CRRT and other critical needs of the patient population.

Intermediate Intensive Care Unit-ICU (6 North)

An 18-bed unit caring for patients who are very sick but do not need placement in ICU but are not well enough to be placed on other medical-surgical or telemetry units. This unit cares for patients on ventilators, severely ill diabetic patients, drug and alcohol withdrawal patients, as well as a variety of surgical patients requiring a higher level of care.

Medical-Surgical Units

3 East (Overflow Unit)

This new fast-paced 19-bed unit sees much admission, discharge and transfer activity. The average length of stay is 21.2 hours, and the unit sees both medical and surgical patients. Care is delivered in terms of hours versus days.

4 East/West

A 35-bed trauma (Level I), spine surgery and stroke overflow unit that serves a diverse patient population. This unit is in direct contact with the trauma ICU, emergency department and the post-anesthesia care unit and cares for high acuity medical/surgical patients with tracheotomies, chest tubes and various other complicated devices. This unit is fast-paced and high energy. A great place to begin and continue to build a strong nursing foundation.

4 North

An 18-bed medical-surgical unit specializing in orthopedics and trauma. This unit participates in the Geriatric Fracture Program, which focuses on hip fracture, the most common – and potentially most debilitating – bone fracture in older adults with osteoporosis. This unit is a Joint-Commission-Certified Hip Fracture unit, and is certified through the International Geriatric Fracture Society.

4 Lime

A 42-bed orthopedic unit caring for patients needing orthopedic surgery, including repair of hip fractures, total hip replacements, knee replacements and other orthopedic repairs. This high volume surgical unit performs 10-15 surgeries per day. This unit is ranked #40 in the United States for orthopedic surgery per U.S. News & World Report.

5 North

An 18-bed medical-surgical telemetry unit primarily caring for urology and gastroenterology patients. Urology patients present on the floor for treatment of kidney stones or prostate surgery, while gastroenterology patients present for planned or emergency abdominal surgeries.

5 Frederick

A 20-bed surgical unit that serves a patient population receiving bariatric surgery, thyroid surgery, vascular surgery and a variety of other surgeries.

6 East/West

A 30-bed medical cardiac telemetry unit specializing in the care of coronary disease and arrhythmias. The typical patient population includes STEMIs post-cardiac catheterization, pre-open heart surgeries, acute coronary syndrome rule outs, atrial fibrillation and heart blocks.

6 Frederick

A 20-bed heart failure cardiac telemetry unit specializing in the care of patients who have new onset and/or chronic heart failure. Many heart failure patients have other chronic conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, respiratory problems and obesity.

7 East/West

A fast-paced 52-bed unit that sees much admission, discharge and transfer activity. The average length of stay is 21.2 hours, and the unit sees both medical and surgical patients. Care is delivered in terms of hours versus days.

7 North

An 18-bed general medical unit that cares for a diverse population, including patients that may require Vapotherm, a high velocity therapy that provides ventilatory support without the need for a mask. This unit also receives telemetry unit overflow and is equipped with elopement technology.

7 Frederick

A 20-bed medical/surgical telemetry unit where patients with a variety of illnesses are cared for primarily by internal medicine physicians also known as hospitalists. Diagnoses include respiratory problems such as pneumonia, flu, and various lung diseases, abdominal pain sometimes requiring surgery, infections and urinary tract infections. This unit has served the COVID patient population in the last year.

8 North

An 18-bed medical-surgical unit caring for patients with medical conditions such as pneumonia, urinary tract infections and wounds, as well as treating patients going to surgery or recovering from surgery such as gall bladder or abdominal surgery. Patients are primarily cared for by internal medicine physicians, also known as hospitalists. This is also the infectious disease unit, which has cared for the COVID patient population in the last year.

8 Lime

A 26-bed oncology unit caring for adult patients with different types of cancer. Patients include those who are newly diagnosed, those who require surgery or those who are receiving chemotherapy and/or radiation. This unit works alongside the treatment team at the Ann B. Barshinger Cancer Center, and cares for a majority of our community that has the diagnosis of Sickle Cell.

8 Frederick

A 20-bed pulmonary telemetry unit caring for patients who have various types of respiratory illnesses collectively known as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). This unit administers Vapotherm, a high velocity therapy that provides ventilatory support without the need for a mask, and has also cared for the COVID population in the past year.

Laboring & Post-Partum Units

Labor and Delivery

A 14-bed unit where patients labor, deliver and transfer post-delivery. This unit includes a 6-bed high-risk OB unit and a 12-bed outpatient evaluation/triage unit for patients who may be laboring or need monitoring prior to potential admission. The unit functions similar to a med-surg unit and will care for the high-risk patient population until they are discharged or have given birth.

Couplet Care

A 48-bed unit that cares for mom and baby post-delivery. Staff work closely with patients to educate them on how to care for their new baby once they go home, focusing on fall prevention, breastfeeding and infection prevention.

Women's Health

Women's Inpatient Unit

A 12-bed unit caring for women recovering from uro-gynecologic and gynecologic surgeries. In addition to the surgical population, this unit also cares for female medical-surgical patients.

Pediatrics

Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)

A 29-bed NICU provides advanced care for premature infants born as early as 23-weeks gestation and infants that are born full term, but require specialized medical care.

Pediatrics (Located at Lancaster General Hospital)

A 17-bed unit focusing on pediatric patients under the age of 18. At times, the unit does assist and facilitate the care of adults ages 18-30 under the care of pediatric hospitalists if Lancaster General Hospital census has full capacity.