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## My important documents

This pocket is a place for you to keep documents you feel are important to bring with you while you receive medical care. Providers will not have access to this information unless you share it with them. Be sure to protect your sensitive or private information at all times to avoid identity theft and privacy issues. You may want to include:

- Advance directives/ Living Will
- Conservator documents
- List of medications
- Organ donation information
- Photocopy of ID
- Photocopy of insurance card/information

## Welcome to Hartford HealthCare

Hartford HealthCare is a fully integrated healthcare system that has services at every level to assist you in your healthcare journey. The *Patient Healthcare Organizer* is a tool for you to gather important information and reflections as you continue your health and healing.

Use the **Patient Healthcare Organizer** as it best works for you. You may choose to share the information with your providers if you think it will be helpful. Or you may want to record information in this organizer for yourself or your family members.

The notebook pages provide a spot to take notes, write down questions and reflect on your experience.

Here are some ways you might find the **Patient Healthcare Organizer** useful:

- Keep important health documents in one place.
- Write down important health information about yourself so providers and loved ones have access.
- Write down important treatments and procedures that happen during your journey.
- During your time with us, write down thoughts or questions you want to share with your care team.
- Write down next appointments and the next steps of your journey.

You are responsible for the safekeeping of the documents and information kept in the **Patient** *Healthcare Organizer*.

A printable version of the **Patient Healthcare Organizer** is available online at HartfordHealthCare.org/ healthcarejourney. Feel free to print additional pages from the book as needed to continue to track your progress.

## **MISSION:**

To improve the health and healing of the people and communities we serve.

## **VISION**:

Most trusted for personalized coordinated care.

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# What you should know about me

Information on this page may be useful to providers, friends or family in case of emergency. You may choose to fill out this page and share it with your care team if you think it is useful.

# My friends and family

The following people are significantly involved in my healthcare and healthcare decisions:

Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:
Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:
Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:
Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:
Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:
Name:
Relationship:
Phone/E-mail:



Believe in yourself and all that you are. Know that there is something inside you that is greater than any obstacle. — Christian D. Larson

# My pharmacy and medications

## My pharmacy

Preferred pharmacy:\_\_\_\_\_\_ Pharmacy phone: (

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Address (Street, City, ZIP): \_\_\_\_\_

### My medications

Please include:

- Prescription medications Over-the-counter medications

• Vitamins

• Herbal/dietary supplements

## BEFORE my hospital stay

Check for medication list or additional medication information in pocket folder (please check box if this applies)

<b>Medication:</b> Name (name brand or generic), dose, times taken per day	Reason for taking, medical/special instructions	Side effects you experience	<b>Start/end date</b> (if applicable)

## DURING my hospital stay

□ Check for medication list or additional medication information in pocket folder (please check box if this applies)

<b>Medication:</b> Name (name brand or generic), dose, times taken per day	Reason for taking, medical/special instructions	Side effects you experience	<b>Start/end date</b> (if applicable)

## AFTER my hospital stay

□ Check for medication list or additional medication information in pocket folder (please check box if this applies)

<b>Medication:</b> Name (name brand or generic), dose, times taken per day	Reason for taking, medical/special instructions	Side effects you experience	<b>Start/end date</b> (if applicable)

# My allergies

□ Check for medication list or additional medication information in pocket folder (please check box if this applies)

<b>Allergy:</b> Medications, food, other	<b>Type of reaction:</b> (Difficulty breathing, rash, vomiting, etc.)	Treatments received

#### If you see a physician for allergy or asthma treatment, please provide their information below:

Provider's na	ame:	 	
Practice nam	ne:	 	
Address (Stre	eet, City, ZIP):	 	
Phone: (	)	 	

# My activity level and lifestyle

Indicate your ability level for the following activities of daily living to help your care team provide additional services as needed.

Function	Independent	Need Help	Dependent	Cannot Do
Bathing				
Dressing				
Grooming				
Dental Care				
Toileting				
Transferring bed/chair				
Walking				
Climbing stairs				
Eating				

#### I have questions or concerns about

(Check areas where you have concern and explain why at the bottom of this sheet.)

My...

- □ Activity level
- Alcohol use
- Behaviors (things I might be doing that could cause harm to myself or others)
- Dental care
- Diet and eating
- Hearing
- Memory

Explain your concerns: \_\_\_\_\_

- Mobility
- □ Mood
- Safety
- Sleep habits
- □ Smoking
- Substance use
- □ Taking care of myself independently
- Vision

## My medical history

### Check all that apply now or in the past:

- □ Allergies/hay fever
- 🗅 Anemia
- □ Anxiety/depression
- □ Arthritis/gout
- Blood clots/phlebitis
- □ Cancer/tumor
- $\hfill\square$  Colon/bowel problem
- Diabetes
- Dizziness
- $\hfill\square$  Abnormal mammogram or pap
- Ear problems
- Gallbladder problem
- $\hfill\square$  Headaches/numbness
- $\hfill\square$  Heart trouble/angina/heart murmur
- Hepatitis
- □ High cholesterol

- High blood pressure
- □ Kidney problems/kidney stones
- $\hfill\square$  Liver disease
- $\hfill\square$  Lung problems/asthma
- □ Lyme disease
- Radiation treatment
- □ Seizures/epilepsy
- Sexually transmitted disease
- □ Sleep apnea/sleep problems
- Skin cancer/rashes
- □ Stomach or duodenal ulcer/heartburn
- Stroke
- □ Substance use disorders
- Thyroid
- Urinary/prostate/sexual problems

#### Hospitalizations, operations, serious injuries and illnesses:

Event	Year

# My family history

Identify family member(s) with any of the conditions listed below: Check box if you do not know your family history

Condition	Family member(s): mother, father, sister, brother or children
Breast cancer	
Colon cancer/polyps	
Depression/anxiety	
Diabetes	
Heart problems	
High blood pressure	
High cholesterol	
Osteoporosis	
Mental health concerns	
Prostate cancer	
Sickle cell anemia	
Skin cancer	
Substance use	
Thyroid problems	
Other cancer (what kind)	
Other condition(s)	

# My healthy habits

### Write down things you do to stay healthy.

Include information about:

• Eating habits

• Meditation or yoga

- Exercise routines
- Social activities

## My healthcare team

Contact information for your primary care providers, specialists, APRNs, psychiatrists, clinicians, counselors, therapists and members of clergy or spiritual advisors, or others who could be helpful during your healthcare journey.

Name	Address/Phone	Treatment/Service provided

# Understanding my next steps

Questions and topics I want to discuss with my provider before leaving an inpatient stay, outpatient procedure, visit or session:

### Before I leave:

- □ I have received new medications or prescriptions.
- □ I understand the side effects that may occur from the medications I am receiving.
- □ I have received education material that might be helpful after my stay or visit.
- □ My questions and concerns have been addressed by my provider or care team.
- □ I have received discharge instructions and paperwork.

## Other questions or discussion topics:

- Do I know why I am receiving prescribed medications after my stay or visit?
- Do I have any questions about the medications I am receiving after this stay or visit?
- Do I have the contact information for all of my healthcare providers?
- Do I understand the instructions I have received?
- Are my new medications safe to take with other medications I am currently taking?
- Are there any food restrictions for my new medications?
- When are my next appointments?
- What are my next steps?

## Other questions, concerns or information I need:

Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. — Albert Einstein



# My appointments

Keep track of appointments with your providers below:

Date/Time	Provider	Location	Reason for visit

# Things I am thankful for

Write down people, providers, pets and things you are thankful for. Who or what helps you on your journey?



The most wasted of all days is one without laughter. — e.e.cummings



My notes

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_	My questions

My reflections



Life isn't about finding yourself. Life is about creating yourself. — George Bernard Shaw



## Hartford HealthCare Resources

For more information or questions about Hartford HealthCare services, providers, locations or community education, call 1.855.HHC.HERE (855.442.4373).

### **Acute Care Hospitals**

#### **Backus Hospital**

326 Washington Street Norwich, CT 06360 860.889.8331 backushospital.org

#### Hartford Hospital

80 Seymour Street Hartford, CT 06102 860.545.5000 hartfordhospital.org

#### The Hospital of Central Connecticut

New Britain General Campus: 100 Grand Street New Britain, CT 06052 860.224.5011 thocc.org

### Bradley Memorial Campus:

81 Meriden Avenue Southington, CT 06489 860.276.5000 thocc.org

#### **MidState Medical Center**

435 Lewis Avenue Meriden, CT 06451 203.694.8200 midstatemedical.org

#### Windham Hospital

112 Mansfield Avenue Willimantic, CT 06226 860.456.9116 windhamhospital.org

## **Urgent Care**

## Hartford HealthCare Urgent Care

To locate an urgent care facility near you, visit **www.geturgentcarenow.com** 

## **Behavioral Health**

#### Behavioral Health Network hhcbehavioralhealth.org

The Hartford HealthCare Behavioral Health Network is the state's largest truly integrated behavioral health network, comprised of the Institute of Living at Hartford Hospital, Natchaug Hospital, Rushford and the behavioral health departments of The Hospital of Central Connecticut, MidState Medical Center, Backus Hospital and Windham Hospital. For more than a century, the members of the Hartford HealthCare Behavioral Health Network have been connecting people with mental health and substance abuse services including inpatient and outpatient services — and everything in between — in a variety of settings for children, teenagers and adults.

#### **Institute of Living**

200 Retreat Avenue, Hartford, CT 06106 860.545.7000 instituteofliving.org

#### Natchaug Hospital

189 Storrs Road, Mansfield Center, CT 06250 860.456.1311 natchaug.org

#### Rushford

883 Paddock Avenue, Meriden, CT 06450 1.800.542.4791 1250 Silver St, Middletown, CT 06457 860.346-0300 *rushford.org* 

### **Backus Hospital Behavioral Health Services**

326 Washington Street, Norwich, CT 06360 860.889.8331 backushospital.org

#### The Hospital of Central Connecticut Behavioral Health Services

100 Grand Street, New Britain, CT 06052 860.224.5011 thocc.org

#### MidState Medical Center Behavioral Health Services

435 Lewis Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451 203.694.8200 midstatemedical.org

#### Windham Hospital Behavioral Health Services

112 Mansfield Avenue, Willimantic, CT 06226 860.456.9116 windhamhospital.org

## Hartford HealthCare Institutes

#### Cancer

#### hartfordhealthcare.org/cancer

The Hartford HealthCare Cancer Institute is the charter member of the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Alliance, meaning patients have access to MSK standards of care and clinical trials in their communities. The Institute encompasses cancer centers at five hospitals across Connecticut — Hartford Hospital, The Hospital of Central Connecticut, Backus Hospital, MidState Medical Center and Windham Hospital and a satellite location in Avon. Collectively, the cancer programs within the Cancer Institute treat more than 5,000 new cancer patients per year while caring for tens of thousands of existing patients, offering a full range of innovative, evidence-based and personalized treatments designed to meet the needs of each patient.

#### Heart & Vascular

#### hartfordhealthcare.org/heart

The Hartford HealthCare Heart & Vascular Institute is a national leader in heart disease treatment, surgery and research. Here, the region's most talented and experienced clinicians work with patients to find and fight heart disease. We lead the state in treating coronary artery disease, the nation's #1 killer, and treat a wide range of conditions including high cholesterol, atrial fibrillation, high blood pressure, ischemia, peripheral arterial disease, mitral valve issues and beyond. The Heart & Vascular Institute brings together assets and expertise of Hartford HealthCare and its extensive network of affiliated private-practice heart and vascular physicians - all of whom work together to provide coordinated, innovative, high quality care to our patients and perform procedures including as minimally invasive aortic surgery, minimally invasive mitral valve repair, surgical ablation of atrial fibrillation and coronary bypass surgery.

#### Neuroscience

#### hartfordhealthcare.org/neuro

The Ayer Neuroscience Institute includes some of the most highly trained experts in the nation, across five Connecticut hospitals and providing comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care for everything from strokes to headaches. With over 115,000 patients touched throughout the healthcare system, the Institute offers centers focusing on movement disorders, epilepsy, pain, stroke, headaches, hearing and balance, spine care, neurology, clinical trials and more. Through best practice delivery models, the Institute provides care in patients' communities while also having the ability to provide access to a higher level of care if needed.

#### Orthopedics

From diagnosis through treatment and rehabilitation, our orthopedic programs offer an unparalleled network of coordinated services for patients. This includes everything from minimally invasive and robotic surgeries to rehabilitation, sports medicine, preventive care and community education. Our integrated team of experts has one thing in mind — helping you get back on your feet faster. We provide a wide range of orthopedic surgeries at Backus Hospital, The Hospital of Central Connecticut and Windham Hospital, as well as our two bone and joint institutes:

- The Connecticut Orthopaedic Institute at MidState Medical Center, the most comprehensive orthopedics program in Central Connecticut, brings together the top specialists in the region. The new facility, featuring exceptional physicians, exclusive technology, private patient rooms, brand new physical rehabilitation space, and more, is an orthopaedic hospital within a hospital. The institute's board-certified and fellowship-trained physicians specialize in joint replacement, arthroscopic surgery, and spine surgery. Learn more at ctorthoinstitute.org
- The Bone & Joint Institute at Hartford Hospital provides an unparalleled network of coordinated services for patients with musculoskeletal disorders and orthopedic injuries. Our institute offers everything from complex and robotic surgeries to rehabilitation, sports medicine, rheumatology, preventive care and community education. Learn more at www.hartfordhospital.org/ortho
- Complete orthopedic care, including Mako roboticassisted surgery for joint replacement, is also available at Backus and Windham Hospitals. Learn more at **backushospital.org and windhamhospital.org**

## Urology & Kidney

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At the Tallwood Urology & Kidney Institute, patients get world-class urology and kidney care from a team of local and national leaders in their fields. Many patients who have failed to have success with other treatments come here for the best solutions to even the most frustrating urology problems. Our highly skilled physicians have advanced sub-specialty training, and are backed by a team of interdisciplinary medical and surgical specialists. With our wide network of care, patients get the very highest standard of treatment, conveniently delivered in their community.

## Physician Organizations

#### Hartford HealthCare Medical Group

hartfordhealthcaremedicalgroup.org

Provider of primary care, surgical care, urgent care and specialty medicine.

#### **Integrated Care Partners**

#### integratedcarepartners.org

Integrated Care Partners delivers integrated, efficient and effective care based on best practices, seamless care coordination, and measured outcomes to ensure the highest-value care and appropriate utilization.

## Rehabilitation

#### Hartford HealthCare Rehabilitation Network

181 Patricia M. Genova Drive, Newington CT 06111 860.696.2500

#### rehab.hartfordhealthcare.org

Hartford HealthCare Rehabilitation Network provides physical rehabilitation services, including physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech and language pathology and athletic training across the continuum of care and in community settings.

#### **Home Services**

#### Hartford HealthCare at Home

1290 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109 1.800.HOMECARE (1.800.466.3227)

#### hartfordhealthcareathome.org

Hartford HealthCare at Home is a not-for-profit home care agency. It specializes in home nursing and hospice services as well as non-medical services through Independence at Home.

#### Independence at Home

#### 1290 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, CT 06109 1.800.HOMECARE (1.800.466.3227)

#### hhcindependenceathome.org

When living independently becomes difficult due to age or disability, caregivers from Hartford HealthCare Independence at Home are the trusted solution to help you or your loved ones live more safely in the comfort of home.

#### **Senior Services**

#### 80 Meriden Avenue, Southington, CT 06489 860.406.6865

#### hhcseniorservices.org

Hartford HealthCare Senior Services is committed to helping seniors remain as healthy and independent as possible through every stage of their lives. With services spanning a wide array of wellness and preventive care — from fitness and nutrition to pet therapy and more — seniors are able to continue to enjoy life.

## Find a Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging

Main tel 1.877.424.4641 | www.cthealthyaging.org

#### <u>The Hospital of Central Connecticut</u> Bradley Memorial campus

81 Meriden Avenue, Southington, CT 06489 tel 860.276.5293 | fax 860.276.5114

#### New Britain General campus

100 Grand Street, New Britain, CT 06050 tel 860.224.5284 | fax 860.224.5687

#### MidState Medical Center

435 Lewis Avenue, Meriden, CT 06451 tel 203.694.5721 | fax 203.694.5910

#### Windham Hospital

112 Mansfield Avenue, Willimantic, CT 06226 tel 860.456.6785 | fax 860.456.6119

#### Hartford HealthCare Family Health Center

2 Northwestern Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002 tel 860.286.3236 | fax 860.286.3239

#### <u>Hartford Hospital</u>

80 Seymour Street, Bliss Suite 104, Hartford, CT 06102 tel 860.696.5499 | fax 860.972.3738

#### Vernon Family Health Center

35 Talcottville Road, Vernon, CT 06066 tel 860.696.4623

### Help Hartford HealthCare Improve

Join the Patient & Family aAdvisory Board Council

#### What is the Patient & Family Advisory Council (PFAC)?

The PFAC is a team of patients and family members who give feedback on their experiences with our services and help to identify ways to improve on them in partnership with our staff.

#### Why should I volunteer?

In order for us to provide the best possible care, we need to hear from those who have experienced it.

#### What are the goals of the PFAC?

- Build a positive relationship with the communities we serve
- Improve the quality and safety of care
- Use feedback to improve services and processes for our customers and their families

#### Who can be a member of the PFAC?

Patients or their family members who have had experiences with our services.

#### What is the membership commitment?

Members are asked to commit to one year and attend 6-12 meetings a year.

To join, please call 860.425.5977

## **Our Values**

Hartford HealthCare's vision of excellence and leadership is driven by its core values, which are shared by all members of Hartford HealthCare.

#### CARING: We Do the Kind Thing

Every Hartford HealthCare staff member touches the lives of the patients and families in our care. We treat those we serve and each other with kindness and compassion and strive to better understand and respond to the needs of a diverse community.

#### SAFETY: We Do the Safe Thing

Patients and families have placed their lives and health in our hands. At Hartford HealthCare our first priority, and the rule of medicine, is to protect them from harm. We believe that maintaining the highest safety standards is critical to delivering high-quality care and that a safe workplace protects us all.

#### **EXCELLENCE:** We Do the Best Thing

In Hartford HealthCare, only the best will do. We work as a team to bring experience, advanced technology and best practices to bear in providing the highest-quality care for our patients and families. We devote ourselves to continuous improvement, excellence, professionalism and innovation in our work.

#### **INTEGRITY: We Do the Right Thing**

Our actions tell the world what Hartford HealthCare is and what we stand for. We act ethically and responsibly in everything we do and hold ourselves accountable for our behavior. We bring respect, openness and honesty to our encounters with patients, families and coworkers and support the well-being of the communities we serve.

## My other documents

This pocket contains additional information related to my health care journey.

## It may include:

- Appointment cards
- Discharge paperwork or additional instructions from a provider
- Educational material
- Prescriptions
- Physician contact information
- Other important documentation or paperwork





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