

Peritoneal Dialysis at Loretto Health & Rehabilitation

Loretto Health & Rehabilitation is now offering Peritoneal Dialysis at the bedside for patients transitioning from the hospital into short-term rehabilitation. We are the only healthcare system to offer this service in a 73-mile radius, enabling those to leave the hospital sooner, rehab faster, stronger and back home.



Bedside Care While Building Strength and Independence

More commonly performed in a hospital, Loretto now has the capability to perform Peritoneal Dialysis in a post-acute setting, enabling patients to continue treatment while starting rehabilitation therapy. Unlike the more common “Hemodialysis” – which removes blood from the body in order to filter it and is typically performed at a hospital or dedicated dialysis center three days a week – this Peritoneal Dialysis is less invasive, can be performed during the day or while the patient sleeps, requires fewer diet restrictions, allows for greater flexibility and improved rehabilitation.

How does Peritoneal Dialysis Work?

This treatment uses the lining of the abdomen, called the peritoneum, and a cleaning solution called dialysate to clean a patient’s blood. Dialysate absorbs waste and fluid from a patient’s blood, using their peritoneum as a filter. It is less invasive and more compatible for patients vs. Hemodialysis, and enables patients to rehab simultaneously, as it can be done during the day or in the evening while a patient is sleeping. There are no needles used, and treatment is painless. Patients are not required to travel to a dialysis center and aren’t dependent on space being available in local dialysis centers.

Who is a candidate for Peritoneal Dialysis?

People who suffer from kidney damage generally progress over a number of years as a result of long-term conditions, such as:

- Diabetes
- High blood pressure
- Kidney inflammation (glomerulonephritis)
- Multiple cysts in the kidneys (polycystic kidney disease)

What types of Peritoneal Dialysis are there?

Patients will have the option of receiving Peritoneal Dialysis during the day or evening, depending on their care plan and rehabilitation schedule.

Professionally Trained Clinical Team

Our highly trained Skilled Nursing team, includes doctors, registered nurses and licensed practical nurses, all trained and certified in Peritoneal Dialysis by Fresenius, our dialysis program partner. Our professionally trained nurses can provide personalized care and adjust any care plans according to individual needs.

Admissions Process

Patients who meet the appropriate criteria for Peritoneal Dialysis are accepted into the unit on a daily basis. Tours of the unit are available.

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