Our Team

The Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Team is here to make sure that you receive the best quality of Orthopedic care in a prompt, highly professional manner. Our goal is to deliver expert and personalized attention to every patient. Our team consists of the following physicians:

Jeffrey J. Meter, M.D.
Medical Director, Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Team at Saint Francis; Orthopedic Residency, Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Fellowship Training in Orthopedic Trauma and Spine Surgery; Former Chairman, Orthopedic Dept of a Level I Trauma Center and Spinal Cord Injury Center in San Jose, CA; Teaching affiliations with USUHS, University of Hawaii, Tripler Army Medical Center, Stanford University and UConn; Former US Army Forward Surgical Team member and Special Forces Surgeon

Todd Mailly, M.D.
Attending Physician, Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Team at Saint Francis; Site Director for the UConn Orthopedic Residency at Saint Francis; Orthopedic Residency, Lenox Hill Hospital, New York, NY; Fellowship Training in Adult Reconstructive Surgery; Special interest and extensive experience in fractures and other complications of total joint surgery

Rolf Langeland, M.D.
Attending Physician, Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Team at Saint Francis; Orthopedic Residency at UConn; Fellowship Training in Orthopedic Trauma and Sports Injuries; Extensive trauma and orthopedic experience

GETTING TO KNOW
The Saint Francis Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Team

My Orthopedic Hospitalist is:
Date ________ Dr. __________________________
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SAINT FRANCIS Hospital and Medical Center
1000 Asylum Avenue
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Delphi Healthcare Partners, Inc. is contracted to provide the Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Program at Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center.
Hospitalists are physicians who specialize in taking care of patients while they are in the Hospital, including those who are admitted through the Emergency Department. Saint Francis began the Delphi Orthopedic Hospitalist Trauma Program to provide patients with better access to the highest quality fracture care, while allowing other orthopedic physicians to focus on their patients who have scheduled appointments.

Our Orthopedic Hospitalists are surgeons who work with a team of Physician Assistants (PA’s) and residents in training (Residents), dedicated to the Hospital and committed exclusively to patients. They ensure that you receive around-the-clock quality care while in the Hospital and throughout your follow-up.

The following is a list of questions frequently asked by our patients. If you or your family need to speak with the Orthopedic Hospitalist during your stay, please have the nurse page them.

What if I already have an orthopedist?
At the time of evaluation in the Emergency Department or Hospital, our staff will contact your orthopedist. If they are not available to provide the care you need, then one of our Orthopedic Hospitalists will be consulted. Sometimes your surgeon specializes in another area of orthopedics and prefers that an Orthopedic Hospitalist, specializing in orthopedic emergencies, should take care of your injury. You will, of course, follow up with your regular orthopedic surgeon for your other orthopedic needs.

How do I know that the Orthopedic Hospitalist is qualified to take care of me?
Each member of the Orthopedic Hospitalist Team must meet the same requirements as every other physician on the Hospital’s medical staff in order to treat patients and work in the Hospital. In addition to their extensive training in Orthopedic Trauma Surgery, they were chosen because of their skills and ability to provide quality emergency orthopedic patient care.

Will I see the same surgeon every day?
While you will see one of the Orthopedic Hospitalists every day, our surgeons have a rotating schedule to ensure that one is available 24/7 for emergencies. To assure continuity of care, our surgeons do a comprehensive review each day (along with the Residents and PA’s) at the change of shift.

If I have surgery by one of the Orthopedic Hospitalists, why won’t their name be listed on my wrist band?
Due to other injuries or medical conditions, you may be admitted to the General Surgery Trauma Team or the Medical Hospitalist. You may have been admitted during one Orthopedic Hospitalist’s shift, but due to your medical conditions, could not have surgery until later, during another Orthopedic Hospitalist’s shift.

What do I need to do when I am discharged from the Hospital?
Before you leave the Hospital, the Orthopedic Hospitalist will give you written instructions, such as recommendations for follow-up care or any prescriptions that you may need to have filled. It is vital that you follow the instructions as directed.

What do I do about my follow-up appointment?
If you had surgery, you will see the Orthopedic Hospitalist in the Orthopedic Hospitalist Clinic (OHC) at 1000 Asylum Avenue, Suite 4320, in the Gengras Building, adjacent to the main Hospital building. Call (860) 714-5237 for an appointment. The first postoperative visit is usually 10-14 days after your surgery. If you have not had surgery, you may follow-up with the Orthopedic Hospitalist or an orthopedic surgeon of your choice.

Will I be seen by my surgeon at follow-up?
While efforts are made at the time of discharge to have you seen by the surgeon who performed your surgery, it is possible that your surgeon may not be available when you need your follow-up. In that case you may be seen by one of their partners. In addition, if the Orthopedic Hospitalist is providing emergency care in the Hospital, you may see another member of the team, a PA or Resident.

What can I expect with regard to billing for the Orthopedic Hospitalist’s services?
You may receive two bills, one for the Hospital’s services and one for the Orthopedic Hospitalist’s services. Please refer to your bill(s) for telephone numbers that you can use to contact someone about your charges if you have questions.

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