Multidisciplinary Specialty Clinics

UP Health System - Marquette Specialty Clinics serve infants, children, adolescents and some adults who have medically complex or less common conditions which often require subspecialty care. Our mission is to provide the highest quality service to patients and families with these special needs and to be a local resource for health care providers throughout the region. We accomplish this goal by utilizing the expertise of local providers and by bringing in subspecialty experts from other institutions so that outstanding services can be available close to home for these patients.

The Specialty Clinic is an approved Children’s Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) facility for some of our outpatient pediatric services. These special clinics are designed for subspecialty physicians and local team members to provide multidisciplinary assessments and encourage patients and their families to participate in treatment planning by allowing opportunities to ask questions and discuss concerns with each team member. These clinics are specified with an asterisk on the next page.

What Parents Need to Know

To help prepare your patients for a clinic appointment, please inform them that a visit can take between 1 ½ to 3 hours to complete depending on how many clinic team members the child has been scheduled to see. It is recommended that parents plan to arrange child care for other children in the family so that they will be able to focus on and assist with their child's assessment.

What Health Care Providers Need to Know

A referral to the Specialty Clinic at UP Health System–Marquette can be made by completing the Specialty Clinic Referral Form. The form is designed to identify the pertinent information needed to process the referral efficiently and to be sure that your patient is evaluated by the clinic that best meets your needs. Please call the Specialty Clinic office to obtain a copy of the form or download a form at www.mgh.org/PediatricSpecClinics. Feel free to duplicate the form as needed for your office staff. If you have any questions, please call. We appreciate your referrals and will assist you in any way we can.

For more information, please call
1 (800) 562-9753 ext. 4777 or (906) 225-4777

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Blueprint 4 Health Center
- Serves children and adolescents with a BMI greater than the 90th percentile for age. Evaluation includes appropriate blood work, dietary counseling and exercise planning.
- Staffed by a local pediatrician, psychologist, nurse, registered dietitian and an exercise specialist.
- Offered three times a month.

Cardiology Clinic*
- Serves children and youth with congenital and/or acquired heart disease and adults with congenital heart defects.
- Staffed by pediatric and adult cardiologists from the University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital Congenital Heart Center and UP Health System - Marquette’s multidisciplinary team consisting of a nurse, social worker, dietitian, cardio- graphic technician and sonographer.
- Offered twice monthly.

Cleft Lip & Palate Clinic*
- Serves children and youth with cleft lip and/or palate.
- Staff include a local craniofacial oral and maxillofacial surgeon, ear, nose & throat specialist, orthodontist, nurse, speech therapist, social worker and audiologist. Team discussion and recommendations occur with team and families during each visit.
- Offered twice a year.

Developmental Assessment Clinic (Multidisciplinary)
- Serves children and youth experiencing developmental delays or problems involving learning, behavior and/or development.
- Staffed by a local pediatrician with special clinical interest in developmental/behavioral pediatrics, nurse, and other team members as needed, including a physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech/language therapist and psychologist.
- Offered two to three times a month.

Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Diagnostic Clinic
- Serves children and youth who have been prenatally exposed to alcohol
- Provides a comprehensive diagnostic evaluation to help determine how their difficulties may relate to fetal alcohol exposure, and to help develop an appropriate management plan.
- Staffed by a pediatrician, psychologist, speech therapist, occupational therapist and nurse.
- Offered monthly.

Genetics Clinic*
- Serves families with any known or suspected genetic disorder.
- Staffed by a team from the University of Michigan which includes a medical geneticist and genetic counselor.
- Offered four times yearly.

Hemophilia Clinic*
- Serves families (children, youth and adults) with hemophilia or other bleeding-type disorders.
- Staffed with a team from Michigan State University (hemophilia nurse coordinator, pediatric hematologist/oncologist, social worker, and dental hygienist) as well as a local nurse, dietitian, physical therapist and psychologist.
- Offered twice yearly.

Perinatology Clinic
- Serves women who need consultation regarding high-risk pregnancy, including genetic counseling.
- Staffed by a perinatologist physician from West Michigan OB/Gyn, PC, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and a local genetic counselor.
- Offered monthly.

Pediatric Endocrinology/Pediatric Diabetes* Clinic
- Serves children and youth with growth or other endocrine problems, including diabetes and growth hormone deficiency.
- Staffed by pediatric endocrinologists from the University of Michigan as well as a local nurse, diabetes educator, dietitian and social worker.
- Offered two to three times a month.

Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Clinic*
- Serves children and youth with cancer or hematologic conditions.
- Staffed by pediatric hematologist/oncologists from Michigan State University, a local nurse, social worker and other team members as needed.
- Offered every two months.

Pediatric Multi-Handicap/Chronic Disease Clinic*
- Serves children and youth with medically complex or multi-system diseases. Common diagnoses include cerebral palsy and other chronic or multisystem problems.
- Staffed by a local multidisciplinary team including a pediatrician, psychiatrist, nurse, social worker, dietitian, physical therapist, occupational therapist and speech therapist.
- Offered monthly.

Pediatric Neurology Clinic*
- Serves children and youth with known or suspected neurologic disorders.
- Staffed by a pediatric neurologist from Helen Devos Children’s Hospital in Grand Rapids, Michigan, as well as a local nurse, social worker and other team members as needed.
- Offered three to four times a year.

Pediatric Neuromuscular Disorder Clinic*
- A tertiary level consultation clinic offering a multidisciplinary evaluation by pediatric subspecialists for children and youth with neuromuscular problems such as Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), Duchenne’s Muscular Dystrophy, Spina Bifida, myopathies, neuropathies and mobility problems.
- Staffed by a pediatric neurosurgeon, orthopaedic surgeon, psychiatrist, urologist and neurologist from the University of Michigan, as well as local team members, including a physical therapist, dietitian, social worker, nurse and respiratory therapist.
- Offered twice yearly.

*Clinics marked with an asterisk are offered in cooperation with Children’s Special Health Care Services (CSHCS) to provide coordinated assessment and management of children (and some adults) with special health care needs.

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