Pediatric Special Procedure Area

The Pediatric Special Procedure Area (PedSPA) provides comprehensive outpatient services for children, including diagnostic testing for imaging procedures requiring sedation, infusion therapy, administration of blood and chemotherapy, endocrine testing and other complex procedures.

Located at Edward Hospital, the PedSPA is a five-bed outpatient area located next to Pediatrics/Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU).

Services and Procedures

For your convenience, we are open 7 am – 5 pm, Monday through Friday. Some of the specialized services and procedures we offer include:

• Pediatric anesthesia for special procedures including:
  - Diagnostic imaging, such as a MRI and CT
  - Lumbar puncture
  - Aspiration and/or biopsies
  - Audio Brainstem Response (ABR) testing conducted by a pediatric audiologist
  - PICC line placement and management
• IVIG, chemotherapy and blood product infusions
• Antibiotics and hydration
• IM/subcutaneous injections
• PICC line management, Port-A-Cath access and difficult blood draws
• Endocrinology testing such as insulin and clonidine stimulation

Our Staff

• All nurses are PALS, ACLS, and Chemotherapy certified
• Child-life specialists are typically part of patient appointments

Scheduling a test or procedure

• Call PedSPA at 630-527-3027 for any infusions and special blood/lab draws.
• Call Central Scheduling at 630-527-3200 for any sedated imaging, ultrasound, MRI, CT scan, VCUG, Fine Needle Aspiration.
• Call the CARE Center at 630-527-3288 for any sexual abuse exam/question.
• Please fax orders to PedSPA at 630-527-7632 or notify unit of physician orders in EPIC.

Care Center

Since 1991, the Care Center at Edward Hospital has helped children, teens and special needs adults who are known or suspected victims of sexual abuse. Appointments for medical exams of children suspected of having experienced sexual abuse are scheduled in collaboration with Child Advocacy Centers at the CARE center.