Clinical Affiliations
Orientation Handbook
Advocate Sherman

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About Advocate Sherman

• We are a 255-bed community hospital that has had a presence in Elgin since 1888!

• We moved into our new hospital in Dec. 2009 (*all private patient rooms*).

• Advocate Sherman includes the hospital and 3 Urgent Care Centers

We have a beautiful Geothermal lake that heats and cools the patient rooms in the bed tower.
Accolades:

- American Heart Association's Get with the Guidelines Stroke Gold Plus, Heart Failure Gold Plus, and Silver Recognition for STEMI Care
- Center of Excellence for Diabetes, Orthopedic care, Cancer care
- Emergency services with over 65,000 visits annually-Level 2 trauma center
- Family Birthing center offers a Level 2 Nursery and 2,600 deliveries annually
- Sherman is the “Regional Hospital Coordination Center” for 12 hospitals.
Emergency Alerts

There are 4 plain language CATEGORIES that will serve as the CORE ANNOUNCEMENT for all emergency notifications for Advocate Aurora Health:

- **Facility Alert** - Fire Alarms, Electricity Disruption, Hazardous Spill, Decontamination, Evacuation, Incident Command, etc.

- **Medical Alert** - Trauma (Adult/Pediatric), Medical Code Team (Adult/Pediatric), Rapid Response Team (Adult/Pediatric), Stroke Alert, Behavioral Health Response Team, Help Response, etc.

- **Security Alert** - Missing Person (Adult/Child/Infant), Suspicious Package, Security Assist, Active Threat, etc.

- **Weather Alert** - Severe Thunderstorm, Tornado, Snowstorm, Ice Storm, etc.

Following the Core announcement, the type of actual emergency (in plain language) and location will be communicated.

❖ Example: “Medical Alert - Rapid Response Team - Alert - 6 Medical room 1223”

Dial 67x5555 to activate an emergency alert
Our Phone Number:

- Our area code is 224 and prefix 783…
- So — if you are calling from outside of the hospital and want to call — for example — the Critical care unit, you would dial 224-783-8745
- However, the main hospital number is still 847-742-9800
- For in house calls, dial 67 then last 4 digits of the department extension (67-8745)

Other Important Numbers:

- Call Epidemiology with questions about Infection control and types of waste/waste disposal: x 67-2948
  Kathy Aureden, Epidemiology Coordinator
- Corporate Compliance hotline: x 67-3333.
- Conflict of Interest questions: x 67-8795
- Security/Public Safety: x 67-8101
- IT (assist with log-in): x 52-7000
- Translation/Interpreter Services: ext./pager 67-2300
Our Address:

1425 N. Randall Road in Elgin IL, 60123

Directions to Advocate Sherman:

From Chicago:
Merge onto I-290 W toward Rockford. Take the I-90/Tollway/IL-53 N/IL-62/Algonquin Rd exit. Merge onto I-90 W/Jane Addams Memorial Tollway W toward Rockford (Portions toll). Take the Randall Rd exit. Keep left to take the ramp toward Elgin. Turn left onto County Hwy-34/Randall Rd. Turn left onto Holmes Rd.

From Rockford:
The Cafeteria is located on the Lake (lower) Level; it is open M-F until 2pm. The Coffee shop and Gift shop are located on the first level.
Other Clinical Experience Requirements:

Parking:

Parking is permitted in the blue painted lines at the outside perimeter of our parking lots. Please discuss where your student group will be parking with your instructor.

Student Attire:

- Hair clean, “tied back”- no unusual colors
- Student ID worn at shoulder level, so all can easily see picture/name
- Jewelry: No visible body piercings; no facial piercings or “band-aids” over them
- Ears may have a maximum of 2 piercings per ear (no gauges, plugs)
- Visible tattoos not permitted
- No extreme colors of nail polish or chipped polish.
- Artificial fingernails and extenders are prohibited by those providing direct patient care. Natural nail tips < ¼ inch long
- Direct patient care givers:
  - Refrain from using scented lotions, perfumes
  - Feet and legs covered at all times and wear socks

Expectation for all:

“Neat, professional appearance and follow safety standards”
Roles/Scrub colors at Sherman:

- RN: Olive Green
- Patient Care Tech/Nursing Assistant: Royal Blue
- Respiratory Therapy: Navy Blue
- LAB: Grey
- Rehab Services: Teal
- EVS: Maroon Top/Navy Bottoms

Other tips:

- **Red** “Emergency Response Guidebooks” are on each unit.