



“When patients and families are true members of the medical team, care is more informed, more targeted and more safe.”

—A patient mom

PATIENT AND FAMILY CHECKLIST FOR ROUNDS

- ✓ JOIN rounds every day to add your thoughts and learn from the team
- ✓ TELL the team how your child is doing today
- ✓ SHARE any changes you see or concerns you have about your child
- ✓ ASK any questions you have
- ✓ CONFIRM the plan with the team at the end of rounds

By the end of rounds, you will know:

- The plan of care for today
- Things the team will do for your child
- Signs that your child is getting better or worse
- Things you will do for your child today
- Care team members to talk to and how to contact them with questions

BE PART OF ROUNDS!

You are the expert on your child. When you join rounds, we learn from you and can plan the best and safest care for your child.

WHAT ARE ROUNDS?

Rounds are when doctors and other team members come in a group in the morning to see your child and talk about how your child is doing. They usually talk with your family and make a plan for the day with you.

WHO MAY COME TO ROUNDS?

- You and your child
- Nurse
- Medical student
- Resident doctors
- Fellow (doctor)
- Attending doctor
- Other team members

WHAT IS I-PASS?

I-PASS is a way to talk during rounds to make sure everyone (including you) has the same information and agrees on the plan.

- I** Illness Severity
How is your child doing today?
- P** Patient Summary
What is new or has changed since yesterday?
- A** Action List
What is the plan for today?
- S** Situation Awareness & Contingency Plan
What might happen and what is the backup plan?
- S** Synthesis by Receiver
What is your understanding of the plan?

TIPS FROM OTHER FAMILIES

- Team up with your child’s nurse if it is not easy for you to talk in a group.
- Write (or record) your questions before rounds.
- Teach your child it is OK to ask questions.
- Ask the team to explain medical words or things you don’t understand.
- Talk to anyone on the team if you think something is wrong.
- Ask the team to come back later if you have more questions after rounds.