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Providing High-Quality Care to Your Patients

With nearly 500 physicians, Albany Med offers your patients access to a network of specialists providing the most innovative treatments and technology. We coordinate with referring physicians on all services provided and ensure that you receive the information you need to continue their care.

The Albany Med Health System, which includes Albany Medical Center, Columbia Memorial Health, Glens Falls Hospital and Saratoga Hospital, is the region's only freestanding, regionally governed not-for-profit health system. Harnessing the collective expertise of each institution, the System has 1,520 hospital beds, more than 800 physicians and 125 modern off-site primary and specialty care centers across the Capital Region.

**ALBANY MED.
SAFE FOR YOU.**



**At our best
when you
need us most.**



Coronavirus Information

[Coronavirus information from Albany Med](#)

Includes the latest COVID-19 pandemic news, including video updates from Albany Med President and CEO Dennis McKenna, M.D., and Executive VP Ferdinand Venditti, M.D.

[CapitalRegionVax.org.](#)

Includes information and updates on COVID-19 vaccine distribution in the Capital Region.

Monoclonal Antibodies at Albany Med

Albany Med is accepting referrals for monoclonal antibody therapy for patients who qualify. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued an emergency use authorization (EUA) for two investigational monoclonal antibody therapies issued by Eli Lilly and Regeneron for the treatment of mild-to-moderate COVID-19 in adults and pediatric patients with positive COVID-19 test results who are at high risk for progressing to severe COVID-19 and/or hospitalization.

Primary care providers or attending providers in urgent care testing facilities can refer patients who meet the specific criteria defined by the FDA to Albany Med for assessment. Patients cannot self-refer. To refer a patient for assessment or for more information, please email COVIDMAB@amc.edu.

Please note: Supply and availability to administer the therapies is limited. Patients will only be contacted if they are deemed eligible and supply is available.



Pediatric Aerodigestive Clinic Now Open, One-Step Coordinated Care

The new clinic at Albany Med is a collaborative effort comprised of pediatric specialists in Pulmonology, Gastroenterology, Otolaryngology, Surgery and Speech/Language Pathology. Every second Wednesday of the month providers see patients at the pediatric offices on 50 New Scotland Ave. They treat disorders of the upper and lower airways and digestive system, ranging from chronic respiratory disease to tracheostomy and feeding tube-dependent children to those with congenital anomalies.

For more information about the Pediatric Aerodigestive Clinic, call 518-262-6240, or call the referral line at (518) 264-0901 to refer a patient.

[Read more.](#)



Congenital Heart Program Expands

Albany Med's Congenital Heart Program has long been known as a standout in New York State for patients with congenital heart disease. Led by Neil Devejian, MD, one of the most experienced pediatric cardiothoracic surgeons in the nation, the program recently welcomed pediatric cardiac intensivist Adnan Bakar, MD, '05, who was recruited to head up the Division of Pediatric Cardiac Intensive Care, and fellowship-trained pediatric interventional cardiologist Jess Randall, MD.

Inset: Recent Pediatric Heart Patient Christopher McNall

Call the referral line at (518) 264-0901 to refer a patient and [learn more here](#).

Endobronchial Valve Placement by Bronchoscopy Available at Albany Med

A non-surgical, inpatient procedure, recently approved by the FDA, uses a bronchoscope to place small, permanent, one-way valves into the lungs of patients with COPD. For more information or to schedule a consultation for evaluation for a patient, please call (518) 262-5196 or visit our interventional pulmonary homepage.



Urgent Care Offering Telehealth

Albany Med's EmUrgentCare is now offering Video Visits in addition to in-person walk-in appointments. All Video Visits are conducted on the secure "Mend" portal between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. every day, including holidays. These visits are available to all new and existing patients and are covered by most health insurance providers. Video visits are also available for most Albany Med practices.

Don't Forget

Albany Med specialists see patients at locations throughout the Capital Region to help bring our expert care closer to your patients.
See directions and locations [here](#).

How to Refer a Patient

Albany Med is committed to meeting the specialty or emergency needs of your patients. We continue to maintain a comprehensive on-call physician roster, staffed by a full range of medical specialists (with the exception of dentistry and severe burns) who have operating rooms available around-the-clock to support any need that comes our way.

For outpatient referrals, please contact our referral line at (518) 264-0901.

For a full list of our physicians, visit the online [physician directory](#).

For a full list of treatments we offer, visit our [specialty listing page](#).

For inpatient Admissions and Consultations, the **Albany Med Access Center** is available. Call the Access Center at (518) 262-4660.



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