

Clinical Nutrition

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Providing safe, delicious, and clinically beneficial food

This department aims at providing food paid attention to safety and catering with high quality patient service and engaging in clinically beneficial nutrition management for hospitalized patients.

Scope of Medical Services

This department offers the following services:

- Nutrition management focusing on nutrition screening and nutrition management planning for inpatients
- Nutrition and dietary advice to inpatients
- Feeding service for inpatients

In addition to the above, the department provides dietary counseling and promotional education for outpatients.

Operation System

This department participates in the nutrition support team (NST) and is involved in the operation of the NST. In a regular NST briefing, to increase the effects of medical treatment, a custom-tailored nutrition intervention based on the nutrition assessment is made for inpatients with nutritional risk.



Features

This department provides high quality food-services featuring:

1. Selection menu
2. Food provision with face-to-face service at patients' cafeteria
3. Birthday menu for inpatients on their birthday (exclude some food)

Medical Service Results

Dietary counseling is offered for individuals and group. In particular, dietary counseling for inpatients with diabetes in the Endocrinology and Diabetes ward includes practical programs such as dietary therapy lectures and cafeteria-style menu.

Other Undertakings

This department proactively participates in the hospital-to-clinic collaboration programs that are funded by Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Local Collaboration System, Frontier of Renal Outcome Modifications in Japan. For outpatients with CKD, the department provides medical treatment and care in a collaborative manner with doctors and paramedical staff, and holds a kidney disease class on Saturday once a month.



Transplant Coordination Service

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The basis for medical transplantation within the hospital, local clinics, and patient services

The department provides patients requiring transplantation with information and advice and serves as a liaison between the related departments in the hospital and with outside institutions.

Operation System

Two full-time transplant coordinators (nurses) provide patients with physical and psychosocial care throughout the process, from initial consultation and waiting list, to hospital admission, surgery and medical care after discharge from the hospital, while working closely with related clinics and departments in the hospital and with local medical institutions.

Scope of Medical Services

In addition to the above, another important role is to protect living donors (organ donors) and provide them with psychosocial care for life. For transplantation from brain-dead donors, which is now increasing, the department manages the conditions of patients waiting for donation in close liaison with local institutions. It also serves as a base for information when the donor is an inpatient of the hospital.

Medical Service Results

At present, the hospital mainly handles liver, small intestine and kidney transplantations, and is considering handling transplantations of other organs in the future. The department also provides psychosocial care and consultation on the medical costs in cooperation with psychiatrists, clinical psychotherapists, and the Department of Social Service.

Other Undertakings

We strive to establish the best system to address various issues regarding not only technical matters but also ethical, financial, and psychosocial aspects that arise during the period while the patient is waiting for a donor organ to when a donor is found and the patient undergoes the transplantation, and then while the patient is receiving lifelong care.

