

FAQ

Q: How long will my child stay in the Hospital?

A: This is a difficult question to answer since each child comes to us with a unique set of circumstances and needs. Our average length of stay is 7-10 days, with some children needing more and some less time to stabilize the crisis that led to their admission.

Q: How often may I visit my child?

A: We understand visiting with your child is important. Visitation times vary depending on the child's age and level of care. Only visitors authorized in writing by the parent or guardian may visit. Specific discussion regarding visitation times will be discussed upon admission.

Q: May I talk to my child on the phone?

A: Yes, but please note that various therapy sessions occur throughout the day so children may not be available at all times. Calls can be received during specified times and when a team member is available to place or receive the call; you and your child's clinician or nurse must approve the names of individuals on your child's call list.

Q: I do not have a car; do you provide transportation so I can see my child?

A: If transportation is a barrier to visiting with your child, Zoom visits are offered.

Q: What happens after hospitalization?

A: The treatment team will work with you to develop a comprehensive plan to continue to meet the needs of your child after he/she/they leave the Hospital.

Q: Will the Hospital recommend treatment providers in my community?

A: Every effort will be made to identify treatment providers close to your home to make this transition as easy as possible.

Mission

To give Hope, Help and Healing to children, adults and those who love them.

Vision

To transform the lives of individuals struggling with emotional and behavioral difficulties with compassionate expert teams providing mental health care and educational services in a supportive and safe environment.

What we value...

Integrity, Human Well Being, Quality, Community, Respect and Excellence



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KidsPeace Hospital is a 110-bed free-standing psychiatric hospital that serves children, adolescents and young adults ages 4-20.5 (5 and younger on case-by-case basis), who require short-term inpatient care. Our staff members stabilize your child through their immediate crisis, and develop an aftercare treatment plan to keep your child on the path to healing.

KidsPeace Hospital is located on a 262-acre secluded hilltop campus in Orefield, PA (accessible from all major highways) – a perfect setting to begin the healing process.

We are in the community...

- 80% of our clients are from the counties of Lehigh, Northampton, Berks and Monroe
- The majority of our referrals come from local hospitals, physicians' offices, schools and social services agencies
- Our staff live in and understand the community, which helps them connect with your child culturally as well as from a treatment perspective
- Our clients are your neighbors, kids from your children's schools, members of your church ... kids like yours who hit a rough patch and need specialized help to get back on track.

KidsPeace Hospital accepts clients either by direct admission or through referral.

- For a direct admission, parents, pediatricians, family practitioners or counselors must first make an appointment for assessment and pre-certification by calling 610-799-8990. **NOTE: If your child is in extreme distress and posing a risk to his/her/their own safety or the safety of others, please go to the nearest hospital emergency room or contact emergency services.**
- You may also receive a referral to the Hospital from your pediatrician or family doctor, ER staff, individual therapist, school counselors, social workers or other professionals. These professionals will evaluate your child's condition; if they believe that he/she/they need to be admitted to a psychiatric hospital, they will make a referral. You have the right to request that your child be referred to KidsPeace Hospital.

If there is an available bed and your child meets our basic admissions criteria, your child's admission will be processed as quickly as possible once insurance authorization is obtained or state funding is verified.

At the Hospital

Upon admission, your child will be assessed by a nurse, and a psychiatrist will also provide face-to-face assessment for your child within 24 hours of admission. Our first goal is to stabilize your child's current crisis. Once this is done, our multi-disciplinary team will work with you to construct an individualized treatment plan specially designed to meet the unique needs of your child. Family involvement is an integral part of helping your child heal.

The professionals who develop treatment plans and provide care to clients at KidsPeace Hospital include:

- Psychiatrists
- Masters Level and Licensed Clinicians (LPC and LCSW)
- Primary Care Physicians
- Advanced Practice Professionals – including Certified Registered Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants
- Psychologists
- Registered Nurses
- Special Education Teachers
- Expressive Therapists
- Mental Health Technicians

During their stay with us, Hospital clients have access to the following services:

- Individual meetings with a psychiatrist and/or other advanced practitioner
- Group therapy with a Master's level clinician
- Medication and health education groups with a registered nurse
- Individual sessions with a Master's level clinician
- Wellness Plan development group education
- Opportunities for family education

If your child requires hospitalization for a mental, emotional or behavioral crisis, tell your provider to refer him/her/them to KidsPeace Hospital.

