

PICC Services

at the Regional Medical Center

Peripherally Inserted Central Catheters (PICC) services are offered on an inpatient and outpatient basis at the Regional Medical Center (RMC). PICC lines are inserted into a vein using ultrasound technology and can be used for an extended amount of time. They allow patients to receive long-term IV therapy without repetitive IV insertions or hospitalization. PICC lines can also be used for routine lab draws and during diagnostic procedures that require IV dye, such as CTs and MRIs. PICC lines help to reduce complications that can be caused by many IV medications used in long-term therapy.

Indications for PICC Lines

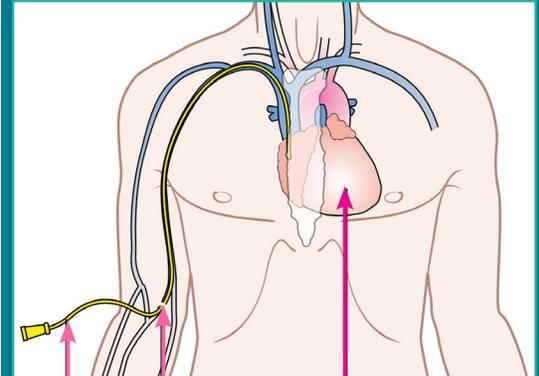
- IV antibiotics
- Chemotherapy
- TPN
- Hydration
- Pain control
- Management of chronic disease processes

Insertion, Care and Maintenance of PICC Lines

- PICC lines are inserted using sterile technique and are guided using ultrasound imaging.
- Medication to numb insertion site is used for patient comfort.
- Following the PICC line insertion, placement is confirmed with 3CG monitoring or a chest x-ray is performed.
- Once inserted, PICC lines can remain in place for up to a year or until the access is no longer medically required.
- Patients are educated on the care and maintenance of their PICCs. RMC PICC lines require routine saline flushes. The traditional use of Heparin is not necessary.



PICC team members, from left, Michele Davis, RN, CPUI; Curt Tyler, BSN, RN, CPUI; and Michele Carter, MSN, RN, CPUI.



**To make an appointment call
803-747-4510***

Monday - Friday: 9 am - 4 pm
(except holidays)

**Please leave a message if no answer.*

Transportation to RMC for PICC services will need to be arranged by the person making the appointment. A signed MD order for PICC insertion and ICD code on order are required, no exceptions. If patient is unable to give consent, a family member will need to come with patient to give consent.

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