The Wound Healing Institute

The Wound Healing Institute of Self Regional Healthcare is dedicated to state-of-the-art outpatient clinical wound care and hyperbaric medicine. We utilize the newest clinical tools in wound healing, along with traditional clinical practices, including: wound dressings, debridement, compression therapy, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, total contact casting, prescriptive growth factors, bioengineered skin grafting, and edema management. Patient care at the center focuses on a whole-body approach to wound healing, including:

- Nutritional assessment and counseling
- Diabetic education
- Patient and caregiver counseling
- Pressure-relief devices, including beds, seat cushions, and footwear.



Contact Us

Contact the Wound Healing Institute at (864) 725-4138.



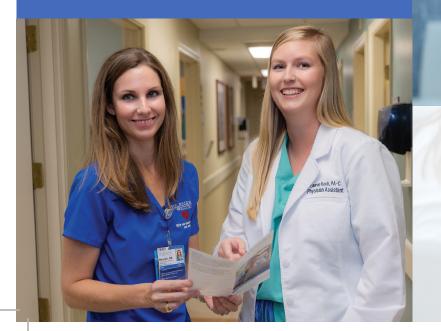




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Candidates for Treatment

Any patient with a wound may be a candidate for specialized wound care at the Wound Healing Institute. Some of the indications for wound therapy are:

- Diabetic ulcers
- Venous insufficiency
- Traumatic wounds
- Surgical wounds
- Burns
- Pressure ulcers
- Neuropathic ulcers

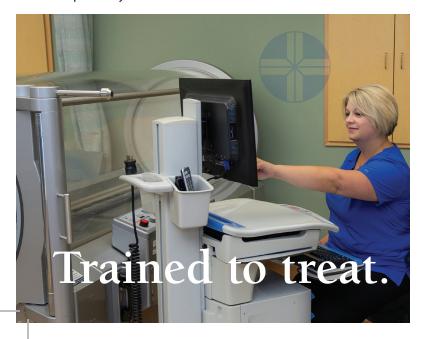
- Ischemic ulcers
- Vasculitis
- Peristomal skin irritations
- Other chronic, non-healing wounds
- Nail care
- Ostomy care

Addressing the Problem

There is a tremendous need for wound care treatments. Each year about 6 million Americans suffer from problem wounds caused by diabetes, circulatory problems and other conditions – with 1.1 to 1.8 million new cases each year. Many wound problems are related to the prevalence of diabetes:

- 21 million Americans have diabetes
- 18 percent of people over 60 have diabetes
- 15 percent of diabetics develop problem wounds
- Patients with diabetes have a 15-fold increase in the risk of amputation and about 82,000 diabetics will undergo amputation each year.

Clinical studies show that wound care treatment facilities help reduce amputation rates and also the length of hospital stays.



Specialized Services

Ostomy Care

We offer ostomy care to patients having peristomal breakdown or ostomy appliance problems. We also offer ostomy instruction.





Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment

Hyperbaric Oxygen Treatment (HBOT) is an adjunctive treatment in which a patient breathes 100 percent oxygen while enclosed in a pressurized chamber at greater than normal atmospheric pressure. While breathing pure oxygen, a patient's blood plasma becomes saturated, carrying 15 to 20 times the normal amount of oxygen to the body's tissues.



The ultimate result is that the body's natural wound healing mechanisms, which are oxygen dependent, are able to function more efficiently. Some approved uses for HBOT include the following:

- Diabetic ulcer of the lower extremities
- Chronic refractory osteomyelitits
- Preservation of compromised skin grafts and flaps
- Soft tissue radionecrosis/osteoradionecrosis
- Crush injury/acute traumatic peripheral ischemia

Passion to heal.

Meet our Team

Your team is comprised of healthcare professionals dedicated to healing your wounds:

- Physicians specially trained in wound management and hyperbaric medicine
- Specially trained wound care nurses and hyperbaric treatment staff
- Certified Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurse (CWOCN) specialist
- Patient-focused administrative staff

Your primary care physician is also part of our team. He or she will continue to manage underlying diseases and overall care while you receive wound treatment.



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