



SERVICE-AT-A-GLANCE

(MGH) Internal Medicine

Location – *Are you located on one floor or in several locations in the hospital?*

- 15th and 17th

Population – *Describe in point form the characteristics of the patient population.*

- Cancer
- COPD
- Diabetes
- Pneumonia
- Renal failure
- Cellulitis
- C-difficile
- General deterioration NYD
- Respiratory failure
- Rheumatologic disease
- CHF exacerbation
- Cardiac conditions
- Alcohol withdrawal
- Dehydration
- Osteomyelitis

Age range

- Adults and elderly

Impact of illness/injury

- Delirium (non-pharmacologic approaches to reduce impact/ agitation)
- Falls risk
- Functional decline /loss of autonomy
- Anxiety/isolation

Medications: *be aware of their indications as well as side effects affecting functions and precautions*

- Lasix
- Pain medications (dilaudid, morphine)
- Seroquel, respirdone
- Steroids (Prednisone)
- Coumadin / heparin
- Ventolin

Role – *Describe the role of your service in point form.*

- Swallowing Ax
- Functional Ax + assistance with discharge planning
- Cognitive appreciation
- Positioning (cushions, FDS, resting splints)
- Optimization of functional autonomy while in hospital
- Assist with decision making in use of restraints and specialized seating

