

TRANSFER CENTER



UW Medicine is a world-class academic health system. We accomplish our mission—improving the health of the public—by providing patient care, educating tomorrow’s health professionals and conducting leading-edge medical discovery. The UW Medicine Transfer Center, which links a five-state region to healthcare expertise, is one of our programs.

About the UW Medicine Transfer Center

Every day and around the clock, the UW Medicine Transfer Center facilitates emergent and urgent patient transfers from healthcare facilities in the WWAMI region (Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana and Idaho) to Harborview Medical Center and UW Medical Center in Seattle.

Call the UW Medicine Transfer Center

24 hours a day: 888.731.4791

A Transfer Care nurse helps coordinate all aspects of a patient’s transfer. We partner with Airlift Northwest to provide air medical transport and with agencies specializing in ground medical transport to ensure patients arrive quickly and safely.

Written follow-up information regarding the patient’s hospitalization, including discharge summaries and operative reports, are sent to the referring provider upon the patient’s discharge.

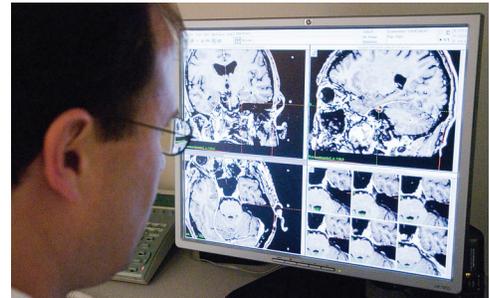
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Call the UW Medicine Transfer Center 24 hours a day: 888.731.4791.

Send Digital Radiology Images

After initiating patient transfer, healthcare professionals may send digital radiology images from their PACS, the archiving and communication system for storing, managing and sending digital radiology images and electronic medical records, via virtual private network.



This allows our staff to expedite the care of the patient by beginning a treatment plan prior to the patient’s arrival.

Sending digital radiology images also reduces the need to duplicate the images, which can be lost or incompatible when sent by CD.

Follow Your Patient with U-Link

Healthcare professionals can follow their patients through the UW Medicine system using U-Link. This service allows professionals providing direct care to access their patients’ electronic medical record. Providers can print or copy portions of the record as needed. U-Link allows providers access to:

- Lab results
- Dictated notes and transcripts
- Radiology reports and images
- Pathology reports
- Medication lists
- Discharge summaries

2012 Statistics

Transfers to Harborview	6,111
Top transfers to Harborview by service:	
Neurological surgery.....	1,001
General surgery.....	993
Orthopaedics	659
Transfers to UW Medical Center	1,735
Top transfers to UW Medical Center by service:	
Cardiology.....	433
Medicine	326
General surgery.....	260