Nursing Reports and Rounds

One of our goals is to provide you with personalized care. We want to involve you and your caregivers in your care to help you learn how to care for yourself after you leave the hospital. Being a partner in your care helps us to better know your needs and keep you safe.

Bedside reports
One way we involve you and your family is by doing a nurse to a nurse report in your room. We call these bedside reports. A bedside report involves your current nurse meeting with the oncoming nurse to talk about your care needs, such as:

- Your goals for the day
- Any tests or procedures that are scheduled
- Your discharge plans

We encourage you and your family to take part in bedside reports and ask any questions that you have about your care.

Hourly rounds
To help meet your care needs, your nurse or PCA will check on you at least every hour. At these hourly checks, sometimes called hourly rounds, we will:

- Check on you and how you are feeling.
- Help you move or change position.
- Check on your comfort and pain control.
- Help you to get up to go to the bathroom.

Before we leave your room, we will make sure that you have your call light within easy reach. We will check that you have water, telephone and any personal items where you can reach them.

Call your nurse or PCA if you need anything at other times. Use your call light or call the phone numbers listed in your hospital room.

Questions or concerns about your care
If you have any questions or concerns about your care, please call the charge nurse, so he or she can work with you to address your concerns. We want to be sure we address your needs and concerns. Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you.

You may also get a survey after you go home. We hope you will take the time to give us your feedback. We use the feedback to recognize our staff and to learn how we can improve the care we provide.

Thank you for choosing The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center!