Programs That Meet Your Needs

Our programs are conveniently scheduled throughout the day to accommodate your needs. We offer programs Monday through Friday during the morning and afternoon.
Phase II Cardiac Rehabilitation

Phase II Cardiac Rehabilitation is a medically supervised program that includes evaluation and instruction on physical activity, medication monitoring, nutrition counseling, and smoking cessation.

Eligibility

Admittance to this program is through physician referral or patient inquiry followed by physician consent. You can benefit from Phase II Cardiac Rehabilitation if you:

- Have conditions such as angina, heart failure or have had a heart attack
- Had coronary artery bypass surgery, valve surgery or a balloon/stent procedure
- Had a heart transplant
- Have peripheral vascular disease or arrhythmias

Benefits of Cardiac Rehabilitation

- Reduces heart event risk and reduces heart disease symptoms
- Improves heart disease symptoms
- Stops or reverses damage to the blood vessels
- Lessens the physical and emotional effects of heart disease
- Improves stamina and strength
- Improves confidence and well-being

Teamwork: Our Key to Success

We owe our effectiveness to a well-rounded team of experienced nurses, exercise physiologists, dietitians and other supportive health care professionals. Our team uses comprehensive evaluation and state-of-the-art intervention strategies to promote lifestyle modifications including:

- Smoking cessation
- Weight-loss
- Nutrition counseling
- Cardiovascular fitness

Cost

Depending on your health plan, this program may be covered by your insurance. Our staff is trained to assist you.

Location

All our programs are held at the Center for Wellness and Cardiac Rehabilitation at Saint Francis Hospital.

For more information, please contact the Cardiac Rehabilitation Team at 860-714-4538.
Phase III Cardiac Rehabilitation

Phase III Cardiac Rehabilitation is a maintenance program for patients who have graduated from Phase II or have risk factors for heart disease.* It is medically supervised by the Cardiac Rehabilitation team and participants continue to modify their risks for heart disease.

Eligibility
Admittance to this program is through physician referral or patient inquiry followed by physician consent.

Cost
There is a nominal fee for this program.

Location
All our programs are held at the Center for Wellness and Cardiac Rehabilitation at Saint Francis Hospital.

For more information, please contact the Cardiac Rehabilitation Team at 860-714-4538.

Vascular Wellness Exercise Program

The Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute offer a medically supervised program for patients with peripheral vascular disease (PVD). This program includes evaluation and instruction on physical activity, medication monitoring, nutrition and weight loss counseling, and smoking cessation.

Eligibility
Admittance to this program is through physician referral or patient inquiry followed by physician consent.

Cost
Depending on your health plan, this program may be covered by insurance. Our staff is trained to assist you.

Location
All our programs are held at the Center for Wellness and Cardiac Rehabilitation at Saint Francis Hospital.

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*Such as high blood pressure, elevated cholesterol, and diabetes.
Hoffman Heart LifeCare Program

The Hoffman Heart LifeCare Program is a multidisciplinary outpatient service that helps patients better manage their health and well-being to reduce their risk factors for heart disease.

Eligibility
Admittance to this program is through a physician cardiologist referral or patient inquiry followed by physician consent.

Benefits of the LifeCare Program
Many of the risk factors for cardiovascular disease are modifiable. You can reduce your risk with adjustments in your lifestyle. Our team will work with you and your physician to help you create a personalized plan of action.

What To Expect at Your First Appointment
In your first comprehensive session you will meet with an exercise physiologist and registered dietitian to address the following lifestyle-related factors:

- Exercise counseling
- Nutrition counseling
- Realistic goal-setting to meet your individual needs

Follow-up
At the completion of your session your physician will be informed of your progress. You will receive ongoing support through follow up phone calls, emails, and motivational messaging.

Cost
There is a nominal fee for this program.

Location
Your appointment will be in the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute at Saint Francis.

For more information, please contact the LifeCare Team at 860-714-4538.
Congestive Heart Failure

The Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut offers a comprehensive and medically supervised program of cardiovascular rehabilitation, exercise training, prevention, wellness and health education to our congestive heart failure population.

Our Goals
The goals of this program are to restore and promote cardiovascular health and encourage a healthy, active lifestyle through risk factor modification, exercise training, nutrition education and wellness education.

Eligibility
Admittance to this program is through physician referral or patient inquiry followed by physician consent.

Cost
Depending on your health plan, this program may be covered by your insurance. Our staff is trained to assist you.

Location
All programs are held at the Center for Wellness and Cardiac Rehabilitation at Saint Francis Hospital.

For more information, please contact the Cardiac Rehabilitation Team at 860-714-4538.

Women’s Heart Program at Saint Francis

Our Mission
To reduce cardiovascular disease in women through individualized risk evaluation with professionally advised diet and exercise strategies.

Who We Are
Our team includes a cardiologist, registered nurse, exercise physiologist, and registered dietitian.

What We Do
• Cardiac risk assessment including blood pressure, waist, height, weight, and BMI measurement
• Nutrition evaluation and education
• Exercise program implementation education
• Risk reduction education

Cost
The Women’s Heart Program is free of charge.

For more information, please call 860-714-4097.
Hoffman Heart Monthly Lecture Series

1. Cardiac Rehabilitation Lecture Series
   • Exercise for your heart
   • Taking care of yourself, mind, body, and spirit
   • Who develops coronary artery disease
   • Medications for the heart
   • Eating that makes a difference
   • Lipids and heart disease
   • Diabetes prevention and management

Cost
The Cardiac Rehabilitation lecture series are free of charge.

Please call 860-714-4538 for the dates and times of the Cardiac Rehabilitation lectures.

2. Living With Congestive Heart Failure Lecture Series
   • Taking control when you have heart failure
   • Eating right with heart failure
   • Using medications in the treatment of heart failure
   • How exercise helps with heart failure
   • How to make the best use of your energy
   • Learning to adapt to a life with heart failure
   • Relaxation and self care

Cost
The Living with Congestive Heart Failure lecture series are free of charge.

Please call 860-714-4428 for the dates and times of the Congestive Heart Failure lectures.