

Mayo Clinic Care Network FAQs

Q: What is the Mayo Clinic Care Network?

A: The Mayo Clinic Care Network is a network of independent, like-minded organizations that share a commitment to improving health care in their communities. Through this network relationship, Lakeland Regional Health and Mayo Clinic will work together, sharing knowledge and expertise for your health and wellbeing.

Q: What does this relationship mean for patients?

A: The physicians and care team you know and trust will continue to provide you exceptional care and will have access to Mayo Clinic resources, including clinical, educational and research information.

Through this relationship, our physicians can:

- consult with Mayo Clinic specialists for patients with complex medical conditions.
- discuss complex cancer cases with a Mayo Clinic multidisciplinary panel and other physicians.
- access the latest high quality, data-driven, evidence-based medical information.

Q: How will this relationship with Mayo Clinic affect the healthcare costs for LRH patients?

Our relationship with Mayo Clinic provides tools and resources to supplement your care and allows our physicians to share knowledge and expertise with Mayo Clinic for your peace of mind, at no additional cost to you.

Q: How will Lakeland Regional Health physicians and Mayo Clinic communicate and work together?

Our physicians and care providers will have access to high quality, evidence-based medical information and Mayo Clinic specialists through a variety of communication tools and electronic resources.

Q: Does this mean that Lakeland Regional Health could be purchased by Mayo Clinic?

A: This agreement is not an acquisition or merger. Lakeland Regional Health is a member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network and is not a Mayo Clinic affiliate. Mayo Clinic Care Network members like Lakeland Regional Health remain community-owned, independent healthcare providers dedicated to serving the needs of their communities.

Q: Why did Mayo Clinic choose Lakeland Regional Health for participation in the Mayo Clinic Care Network?

A: Lakeland Regional Health was evaluated through a rigorous review process and was selected to be a part of the Mayo Clinic Care Network because of our shared commitment to improve the delivery of healthcare through high quality medical care.

Q: Does this mean I'll be referred to Mayo Clinic?

A: There is no obligation for a patient to be referred to Mayo Clinic. The primary goal of Lakeland Regional Health and Mayo Clinic through the Mayo Clinic Care Network is to help our patients gain the benefits of Mayo Clinic expertise while they continue to receive care as close to home as possible.