# Hospitalist **NOW**

Penn Highlands Clearfield







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At Penn Highlands Healthcare, providing you with exceptional care is our top priority. We strive to offer services and technology that allow all patients to stay close to home- where their loved ones and support systems are close at hand.

With this goal in mind, Penn Highlands Healthcare is proud to offer telemedicine services for hospitalist care through our new service, Hospitalist**Now**.

#### WHAT IS TELEMEDICINE?

Telemedicine allows you to see a doctor that is located at another facility without requiring you to travel to the provider's location for an evaluation. Once admitted to the hospital, our Hospitalist Now service will allow you to be treated by a hospitalist at Penn Highlands DuBois, without requiring a transfer to that facility. This visit is made possible by a computer and special cameras. During a Hospitalist**Now** examination, you and the doctor will see and hear each other, creating an opportunity to discuss health concerns and care plans.

### HOW DOES THE HOSPITALISTNOW PROGRAM WORK?

 Once you have been admitted at Penn Highlands Clearfield, you will be seen by a Certified Registered Nurse Practitioner, or CRNP. The CRNP will review your case with the attending physician, who is located at PH DuBois. If the attending physician needs to see you, personally, the CRNP will bring the equipment to your bedside and the video exam will begin.



- If you feel a need to see the attending physician at any time during your hospital stay, please ask the CRNP or your nurse and arrangements will be made for a telemedicine visit.
- As always, you have the right to determine where you want to receive care. At any time during your hospital stay, you have the right to request a transfer to Penn Highlands DuBois or another facility of your choice.

#### WHAT HAPPENS IF MY GUEST CANNOT BE PRESENT FOR THE EXAM?

If you have a friend or family member who you'd like to have present during your Hospitalist**Now** evaluation, the attending physician can send your guest an invitation to join the video exam. Your guest can join by phone or video by using a smart device or computer.