

Update: Pediatric Services

June 22, 2022





Pediatric Divisions – Current Status

Largely Unchanged Operationally	Coverage Gaps
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Center for Children with Special Needs/Developmental Behavioral Pediatrics• Child Psychiatry• Clinical Genetics• General Pediatrics• Hospitalist and Newborn Medicine Network• Pediatric Adolescent GYN• Pediatric Anesthesia• Pediatric Cardiology• Pediatric Dermatology• Pediatric ENT• Pediatric ID• Pediatric Ophthalmology• Pediatric Rheumatology• Pediatric Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adolescent Medicine• Endocrinology• GI• Hematology-Oncology• Nephrology• Neurology• Orthopedics (TBD)• Pulmonology• Radiology• Urology



Plan for Divisions with Coverage Gaps

Subspecialty	Clinicians Departing	Proposed Coverage Plan
Adolescent Medicine*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laura Grubb (going to BCH)• Mayaan Leroy-Melamed	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adolescent NP, general pediatricians and adolescent gynecologists to cover• Post 2 adolescent provider positions in BCH/Tufts Network Foundation
Endocrinology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Robert Gensure• Marissa Avolio• Caitlin Crawford, NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interim plan to refer patients to BCH• Post 2 endocrinology positions in BCH/Tufts Network Foundation
Gastroenterology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Garrett Zella• Marcella Radano• Stanley Lau	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Khoa Tran and Dr. Prerana Baranwal to continue seeing patients in Boston, Lawrence, Woburn• Working with BCH on interim coverage of Brockton and Chelmsford• Offer out to 3rd gastroenterologist to start in end of year• Post additional gastroenterology position
Hematology Oncology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laura Wiltsie• Hannah Fassel• Tishi Shah (going to BCH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discontinue pediatric oncology at Tufts; refer to BCH/DFCI• High risk hematology patients and patients wishing to continue care in Boston will be referred to BCH• Dr. Tishi Shah will continue to see benign hematology in Lawrence and Chelmsford• Dr. Jason Law will continue helping transition patients to other programs in short-term

*At this time, not accepting new patients for the above noted specialties

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Nephrology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lockie Milner• Juliann Reardon	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BCH nephrologists will continue to see patients in Lawrence and Chelmsford
Neurology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• John Gaitanis• Angela Curcio• Anthony Rodrigues• Ju Tang• Heather Grossklaus, NP	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Tarui and Neurology NP Kayla Greenberg will continue to see patients in Boston• BCH Neurologists will see patients in Chelmsford and Lawrence• Post 3 neurology positions in BCH/Tufts Network foundation
Orthopedic Surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stuart Braun	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussions still underway regarding future plans
Pulmonology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Karissa Brazauskas	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All patients to be referred to BCH
Radiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daniel Schwartz	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dr. Williams-Weekes will continue to read pediatric studies and BCH radiologists will read studies via tele-medicine
Urology*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Beth Drzewiecki	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NP to stay• BCH Urology to staff TCH clinics in Boston and Chelmsford• Surgeries at BCH

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TCH Transition Timeline

- All pediatric patients and their families will receive a letter from Tufts Medicine about their care, even if there is no disruption.
- As of June 20 – all letters have been mailed to patients, with the exception of urology, benign hematology, orthopedics, child psychiatry, and endocrinology
- Only letters with expected care disruption will include the Tufts Transition Center phone number (866-978-2339). Those letters are expected to be received the week of June 20th.
- Tufts Transition Center went live June 16, 2022



Call Centers and Websites



Provider Access Lines

Tufts Physician Access Line

Pediatrics: 617-636-1440

Adult: 617-636-7255

8:30 am – 5 pm

- **Facilitate routine, urgent and emergent appointments for your patients**
- **Answer questions about physician availability at Tufts Boston and community sites**

BCH Provider Access Line

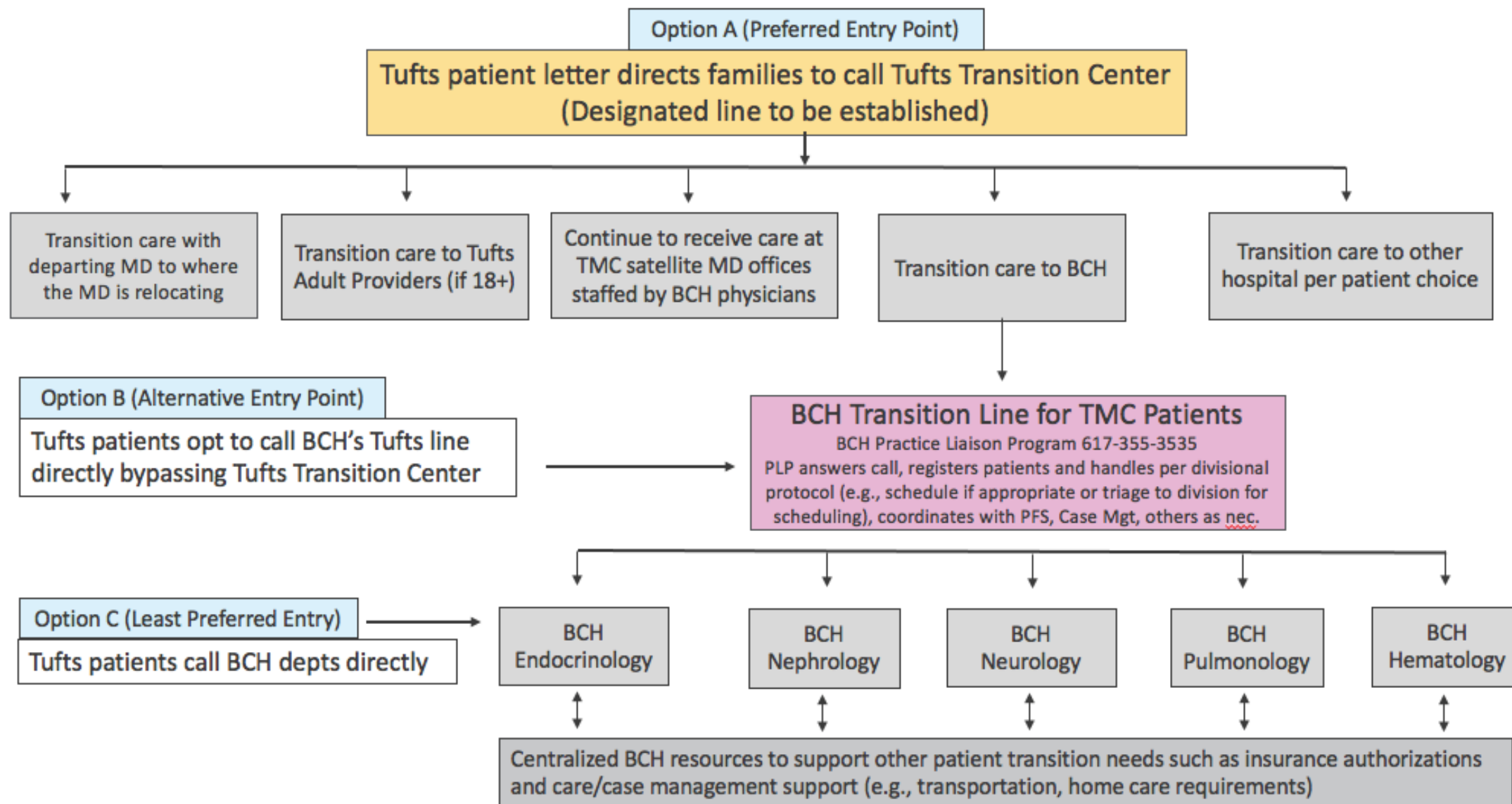
For Tufts Medicine clinicians – Staffed 24/7

617-355-KIDS (5437)

- **Facilitate transfer & acceptance of patients requiring urgent/emergent care**
- **Schedule planned admissions**
- **Schedule ambulatory appointments with BCH specialists**



Tufts Patient Transition Process – BCH Entry Points





Parent/Patient Transition Access Lines

Tufts Transition Line

For Tufts pediatric patients and families

866-978-2339

8:30 am – 4:30 pm Monday - Friday

- For help getting a new doctor
- For assistance transferring to adult services
- For help with patient record transfers
- For help getting transportation to BCH from Tufts

BCH Family Line

For Tufts pediatric patients and families

617-355-3535

7:00 am – 8:00 pm Monday - Friday

- For appointments with a BCH specialist
- New patient registration
- For help with insurance issues
- For help with Financial Services, Case Management, other needs



Websites:
Completed by Next Week

tuftsmedicalcenter.org/BCH
(Note: all patient letters posted here)

<http://childrenshospital.org/tufts-medicine-referrals>

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