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## SELECTING YOUR BABY'S PEDIATRICIAN

Selecting your baby's pediatrician is an important decision. By making this decision promptly, you help ensure that your newborn receives care from the doctor of your choice and that your insurance company covers the cost of your baby's care.

Please identify your choice for yo	our baby's <u>pediatrician</u> :
Please print your name:	
Please print your baby's name:	(Use last name only if baby's first name has not been chosen)
Parent/Guarantor Signature:	
	Date:

Below is a summary of common concerns, questions, and processes involved in entering your newborn into the health care system. Please review this summary carefully to help avoid problems and to make your experience with Saint Peter's University Hospital problem-free.

If your pediatrician is currently on the Medical / Dental Staff at Saint Peter's University Hospital and is a participating practitioner with your insurance carrier, you only need to call your insurance company within 24 hours after your child's birth to assure proper insurance coverage.

If your pediatrician is <u>not</u> on staff at Saint Peter's University Hospital or you have not chosen a pediatrician at the time of your baby's birth, your baby will be cared for in the nursery by a member of Saint Peter's Pediatric Faculty Group. All pediatricians in this group are board-certified in pediatrics and can provide all the services your baby will need while at Saint Peter's University Hospital. In order to ensure that your insurance carrier will cover these services, please inform your insurance carrier you will be using the services of Saint Peter's Pediatric Faculty Group during your baby's hospital stay. If you do not inform the insurance company who the pediatrician will be you may be billed directly for physician services. Physician services are not included in the hospital bill.

After the baby's discharge, if you want to change your infant's pediatrician, just call your insurance carrier again.

If your baby requires intensive care services during his or her stay, the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit physicians on staff will provide these services. These physicians may not be participants in your insurance plan. In this case, please contact your insurance company for clarification of your benefit coverage.

If you are considering changing your insurance coverage during your infant's hospital stay, you MUST notify our Financial Counselors, at 1-732-745-8600, extension 8755.

If you do not remember to call your insurance carrier to add your new baby, your child may not have insurance coverage.

Please feel free to call our Financial Counselors at 1-732-745-8600, extension 8755, with any questions or concerns. Our counselors will be happy to assist you.