Valve Clinic Coordinator
Marie Delaney, PA-C

At the BHS Valve Clinic, our Valve Clinic Coordinator works closely with our team of experts to coordinate appropriate and timely medical management. The Valve Clinic Coordinator will assist in scheduling both initial and follow up testing, as well as coordinate an individualized treatment plan under the direction of our experts. We provide patient education, and engage in follow up communication throughout the process with the referring physician. All efforts are patient centered, with your individual needs first and foremost in mind to support you along your journey.

How do I become a BHS Valve Clinic patient or, if I am a physician, refer a patient?

Patients with advanced valvular disease may be a candidate for the BHS Valve Clinic. Consult with your physician to determine if a referral makes sense for you. Physicians can enroll their patients by filling out a BHS Valve Clinic Referral Form and faxing it to the Valve Clinic Coordinator at 724-431-1803 or by contacting the Valve Clinic Coordinator at 724-284-4026.

Gertrude Jeffries, Butler

“My experience here has been fantastic. I was surprised at how quickly I was able to come home after the procedure. Marie and all of the physicians are extremely personable and have treated me like part of the family.”

Carl Bowser, Sarver

“I could not be happier with the caring people here at Butler and the treatment I received. The doctors and Marie are very kind and have gone above and beyond getting to know and treat me. They have helped get me back to what I love doing – taking care of my farm.”
The BHS Valve Clinic is a process for evaluating patients with valvular heart disease, such as aortic stenosis or mitral regurgitation. The Clinic is led by a team of expert cardiologists and cardiothoracic surgeons from Butler Health System.

Patients with valvular heart disease are reviewed by a multi-disciplinary panel to determine optimal, customized treatment plans. The BHS Valve Clinic provides a single point of contact for coordinating their initial clinical assessment, diagnostic testing, required screenings and appointments with structural heart team specialists. This streamlined coordination of care expedites all steps in determining the type and severity of valve disease and planning optimal treatment for each patient.

BHS Valve Clinic: Customized Treatment Plans for Patients with Valvular Heart Disease

The BHS Valve Clinic Team
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BHS VALVE CLINIC OVERVIEW AND SERVICES
- Dedicated team of cardiac surgeons, interventional cardiologists, cardiac imaging specialists, and advanced care nurses specializing in structural heart and valvular disease
- Standardized care protocols based on current best-practice guidelines
- Comprehensive cardiac diagnostic testing and imaging
- Optimized medical management for patients assessed as unsuitable for surgical or transcatheter treatments
- Patient and family education
- Valve Clinic Coordinator provides compassionate guidance while coordinating and supporting individualized treatment plans
- BHS Valve Clinic conveniently located in Butler is easily accessible for patient evaluation and follow up

Treatment Options for BHS Valve Clinic Patients
As part of the BHS Valve Clinic, we use state-of-the-art imaging including advanced 3-D echocardiography to provide us with the most precise diagnostic information. A collaborative approach is then undertaken to see what the best treatment option is for each patient. New approaches are now available that give patients treatment options that were not previously available to them.

- Open Heart Surgery which includes valve replacement or repair
- Balloon Valvuloplasty
- Transcatheter Aortic Valve Replacement (TAVR)

The TAVR Team at Butler Health System includes cardiothoracic surgeons, interventional cardiologists, cardiac anesthesiologists, valve clinic coordinators, nurse anesthetists, perfusionists, echocardiographers and nurses and technicians from the cardiac catheterization lab and the operating room. Each member of the team brings their own expertise that is critical to the success of the care process.