

Q: Is Clarion Hospital still delivering babies?

A: Effective July 1, 2021 all deliveries will be at Butler Memorial Hospital, 1 Hospital Way, Butler PA.

Q: Can women stay in our community to receive pre-natal care?

A: Yes. You can still receive all your pre-natal care in Clarion, only the delivery location has changed.

Q: Can I still see my Butler Health System Women's Care Clarion physician (Drs. Perard or Doverspike) or do I need to choose a new doctor located in Butler?

A: Yes, you can continue to see your BHS Women's Care Clarion physician. You do not need to change physicians to deliver at BHS Butler Memorial Hospital. This change only affects the location of where you deliver your baby.

Q: Why has Clarion Hospital made the decision to move deliveries to Butler Memorial Hospital?

A: After thoughtful consideration, it was determined that Butler Memorial Hospital's maternity unit would be the best location to provide maternity and newborn care. BHS Butler Memorial Hospital offers 24/7 on site pediatric hospitalist, 24/7 on site anesthesiology care for labor pain management, midwifery care, the option for some women who have had a previous cesarean delivery to have a trial of labor. It has been nationally recognized by News Week as a top maternity hospital in the country. For a video tour or complete information on the maternity care provided at Butler visit BHSWomensCare.org.

Q: Are other women's services in Clarion being closed as well?

A: Absolutely not. To the contrary, in the summer of 2021 a new state of the art medical office building located in Clarion at Trinity Point will be opening offering enhanced, comprehensive women's services all in one convenient location! This beautiful three story building will house Butler Health System Women's Care physicians, offer 3D mammography, Bone Density (DEXA) testing, women's ultrasound and more. Other services important to our community will be available at this location as well including high end imaging & lab, expanded comprehensive Cardiology services and pulmonary services, a healthy café, and a place to educate and partner with our community members on their personal journey toward health and wellness. Stay tuned for more information coming soon on this new location.

Q: How far away is Butler Memorial Hospital?

A: Approximately 40 minutes from Clarion Hospital.

Q: Who are the OBGYN providers that I may see during my labor and delivery at Butler Memorial Hospital?

A: BHS Women's Care Associates is an excellent group of providers that include Anie Perard, MD, Bryan Doverspike, DO, Maureen Russell, MD, Mildred Duvet, MD, Denice M. Leonard, DO and Anne Dobrzynski, MD, Edwin Cheek, MD. BHS Women's Care team also includes 3 highly qualified, certified nurse midwives: Lisa Cone, Laurie Powell and Devon Swanson.

BHS Women's Care Associates has several office locations.

Clarion: Anie Perard, MD, Bryan Doverspike, DO, and Beverly O'Rourke, CRNP. *They also see patients at BHS Women's Care Associates in Butler.

Brookville: Bryan Doverspike, DO

Butler: Maureen Russell, MD, Mildred Duvet, MD, Denice M. Leonard, DO, Anne Dobrzynski, MD, and Paula Schmitt, CRNP

New Castle: Mildred Duvet, MD

Seven Fields: Denice M. Leonard, DO

Q: Does Butler Memorial Hospital accept my insurance?

A: Butler Memorial Hospital accepts almost all insurances, including Highmark and UPMC Health Plan. You can find a complete listing of insurances accepted on our website. You may also contact your insurance carrier or contact our finance office at 724-284-4460.

Q: What if I am not pregnant? Has my care been affected by this change?

A: If you are not pregnant this change does not affect your care in anyway. Gynecological care, diagnostics, procedures and any associated surgeries you may need will still occur at BHS Clarion Hospital. Gynecological robotic surgery is an option on the Butler Memorial Hospital campus if your physician determines this is right for you.