How To Obtain a Children's Hospital Consult

• Call Children's Hospital at 202-884-4880 (24 hrs/day; 365 days/year) and ask for the on-call attending for the service requested. **Indicate that this consult is for a NIH patient**.

Adolescent Medicine
Allergy & Immunology
Anesthesiology
Cardiology
Ophthalmology
Orthopedics
Otolaryngology

Cardiovascular Surgery Rehabilitation/Physical Medicine

Genetics Plastic Surgery
Endocrinology Psychiatry
Gastroenterology Psychology
Hearing & Speech Pulmonary
Hematology/Oncology Radiology
Infectious Disease Rheumatology

Neonatology Surgery Nephrology Urology

Neurology

- Enter consult order in MIS (Physician Master Guide>Consults>Outside Consults>Consultant Index>Children's Hospital). Two copies will print: one copy remains in the patient's chart, and the other copy (signed by the referring physician) is provided to the Children's consultant at the time of the consult (**must** accompany the patient to Children's Hospital). The patient's insurance should **not** be billed for any part of the consultation. If asked about the insurance status, state "this is a NIH patient."
- If the patient is going to Children's Hospital for the consult, his/her NIH medical chart cannot leave the CC. If there is pertinent medical information which is needed for the consultant, complete a NIH-527 (Authorization for the Release of Medical Information) and place it in the patient's chart. Then the nursing unit or clinic can copy the appropriate medical information for the patient to take to Children's.
- If the patient is going to Children's Hospital, provide a NIH-513-1 (Consult Reporting Form) for the consultant to document his/her consult note. Please stamp the form with the patient's name and the NIH patient number.
- If the patient is going to Children's Hospital, if appropriate, arrange transportation with the unit or clinic social worker.
 - For questions related to the consult process please call **Gina Rowe 301-435-8642** (office), 301-285-1534 (pager). For medical related questions please page the on-call pediatrician via the page operator at 6-1211.

In summary, documents for patients to take with them to Children's Hospital:

- Consult order generated by MIS, signed by referring clinician
- Consult Reporting Document (NIH-513-1)
- Pertinent medical information copied from patient's chart. (Need to have signed NIH-527 document in patient's chart)

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