

The Twin Cities Jewish Healing Program
Jewish Patient Needs at a Glance

When a Jewish patient is looking for Jewish resources, he or she may request a visit by a Rabbi or Cantor without knowing that there are also trained Jewish volunteer visitors who could make a visit. Please try to evaluate with your patient whether there is an urgent need for a Rabbi or Cantor, or if their needs could be met by a trained Jewish volunteer.

First identify:

- Patient's name
- Male-Female
- Synagogue affiliation (if any)
- Estimated length of hospital stay

If the patient needs to see a rabbi or cantor and is affiliated with a synagogue, please ask the following questions:

1. Have you notified your synagogue?
2. If you have not called your synagogue, would you like me to contact your synagogue's Clergy, Congregational Nurse or Volunteer Coordinator?

A list of all synagogues in the Twin Cities is provided at the end of this document.

If the patient is not affiliated with a congregation and requests the services of a Rabbi or Cantor:

If this is an urgent situation or if a patient requests a clergy visit, a rabbi or cantor from the community will try to make a visit. There are over 30 rabbis and cantors in the Twin Cities who voluntarily participate in a rotation to visit with unaffiliated patients. Call the Healing Program to arrange a visit or if it is after our office hours the outgoing message will identify the clergy on call.

If you are calling the "clergy on call" it is helpful to give them as much information as possible.

- Include your phone number so they can call you for further information.
- Please try to have available the nature of the patient's illness and any information that would help the clergy to connect with the patient.

If it is determined that a volunteer is needed:

Call the Healing Program to arrange for a visit from a trained Jewish volunteer.

Please offer your patient Jewish ritual items that you may have available in your clergy's office. If you are in need of more ritual items please contact the Healing Program.

Please note: Max Fallek, Jewish Volunteer Para-Chaplain, 612-709-1171 is available as a back-up for the Sabbath (3:00 p.m. on Friday until sundown Saturday) and on Jewish holidays as our regular clergy on-call may not be able to respond to calls during those times. An additional resource is to call Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel, 612-871-1234 where there is a 24 hour answering service.

For Jewish Funeral Home arrangements:

Call Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel, 612-871-1234. Their on-staff Rabbi is available to lead funeral and memorial services for families using their funeral services.

The Twin Cities Jewish Healing Program has trained Volunteer Visitors and Clergy Visits available upon request. To request a visit or learn about other resources please call: Judy Marcus, Program Coordinator at 952-542-4840.

The Twin Cities Jewish Healing Program is a program of Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis.



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Jewish Congregational Nurses Partner with Healthcare Facilities

Five Minneapolis congregations have a designated Congregational Nurse who is an added resource for each congregation's members. If your Jewish patient belongs to one of these congregations, please call the synagogue to access this type of outreach. The Congregational Nurse is eager to partner with you in serving one of their members.

How can a Congregational Nurse help a congregation member in your healthcare facility?

While she is a registered nurse, she does not do any hands-on nursing in this role. She visits congregants with health issues, assesses their need and makes appropriate referrals. Her approach is holistic by addressing body, mind and spirit within the context of the faith community. Her follow-up calls and visits are an important life-line, especially for the homebound and more isolated members of the congregation and help maintain their sense of belonging to their community. Her presence is a visible sign of a congregation's intention to support the well-being of their community.

Twin Cities Area Synagogues and Jewish Funeral Homes

Adath Israel (Orthodox)
2337 Edgumbe Rd
St. Paul, MN 55116
651-698-8300

***Adath Jeshurun (Conservative)**
10500 West Hillside Lane
Minnetonka, MN 55305
952-545-2424
Congregational Nurse on staff

B'nai Emet (Conservative)
3115 Ottawa Ave S
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
952-927-7309

***Bais Yisroel (Orthodox)**
4221 Sunset Blvd
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
952-926-7867
Congregational Nurse on staff

Bet Shalom Congregation (Reform)
13613 Orchard Rd
Minnetonka, MN, 55305
952-933-8525

***Beth El (Conservative)**
5224 West 26th St
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
952-920-3512
Congregational Nurse on staff

Beth Jacob (Conservative)
1179 Victoria Curve
Mendota Heights, MN 55118
651-452-2226

Bris Avroham (Russian)
2375 7th St
St. Paul, MN 55116
651-690-2669

Darchei Noam Synagogue (Modern
Orthodox)
5224 Minnetonka Blvd
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
612-920-3424

Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel
126 E Franklin Ave
Minneapolis, MN 55404
612-871-1234

Hodroff-Epstein Memorial Chapel
671 S Snelling Ave
St. Paul, MN 55116
612-871-1234

***Kenesseth Israel (Orthodox)**
4330 W 28th St
St. Louis Park, MN 55416
952-920-2183
Congregational Nurse on staff

Mayim Rabim (Reconstructionist)
3010 Hennepin Ave S Suite 188
Minneapolis, MN 55408
612-922-5983

Merkos Lubavitch (Orthodox)
400 Marie Ave W
West St. Paul, MN 55118
651-554-7700

Mount Zion (Reform)
1300 Summit Ave
St. Paul, MN 55105
651-698-3881

Or Emet (Humanistic)
Box 22513
Robbinsdale, MN 55422
763-535-2226

Sharei Chesed (Conservative)
2734 Rhode Island Ave S
St. Louis Park, Minnesota 55426
952-929-2595

Shir HaNeshama
1725 Grand Ave
Saint Paul, MN 55105
(651) 645-7532

Shir Tikvah (Reform)
5000 Girard Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55419
612-822-1440

***Temple Israel (Reform)**
2324 Emerson Ave S
Minneapolis, MN 55405
612-377-8680
Congregational Nurse on staff

Temple of Aaron (Conservative)
616 S Mississippi River Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55116
651-698-8874

**synagogues with a Congregational
Nurse on staff*