

Home Phototherapy

Phototherapy Referrals:

Phototherapy referrals begin with a call from the referring prescriber to 614-355-1100.Prescribers should be prepared with patient insurance information, address and bilirubin level. It is also helpful to know who will be managing and discontinuing treatment. Prescribers are asked to order bilirubin lab draws /results early in the day so the referral can be processed and patients can begin use of phototherapy as soon as possible.

If the referral is accepted by phone, please fax orders to (614) 355-1182. Order must include the following details: Patient demographics, diagnosis code, bilirubin level and expected duration of treatment.

Phototherapy Deliver and Setup

The Phototherapy program is a service of Nationwide Children's Hospital Homecare and provided by HME technicians, who deliver the equipment to the home and train the family how to use it. HME technicians are scheduled to deliver and setup phototherapy equipment in patient homes between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., seven days a week. A Homecare nurse and HME technician are available after regular business hours, 24 hours a day, seven days a week to answer patient and referral questions on the phone.

Discharge

The patient's primary care physician will continue to monitor bilirubin levels daily. When the baby is released from use of the phototherapy equipment, NCH Homecare will discharge the service and arrange to pick-up the equipment at the patient's home or physician office.

Visit NationwideChildrens.org/Homecare for more information.

