



# **Parking and Transportation**

*Information for patients and families*

**This handout explains transportation at University of Washington Medical Center (UWMC), including information about parking, the airport shuttle, taxi service, car rental, and the bus system.**

**For detailed directions to UWMC, call UW Parking Services at 206-685-1553, and press 1.**

## **Transportation Resources**

### ***Washington State Medical Coupons***

If you are covered by Washington State medical coupons, call your transportation broker at least 48 hours before your appointment for help with transportation to and from UWMC. The Seattle/King County broker can be reached at 800-923-7433.

### ***Alaska Patients***

If you receive medical assistance from the State of Alaska, you must arrange transportation assistance with your Alaska Medicaid office before coming to UWMC. If you do not make these arrangements ahead of time, you may have to pay your housing and transportation costs.

### ***Questions***

For answers to questions about transportation resources at UWMC, contact:

Social Work and Care Coordination  
University of Washington Medical Center  
1959 N.E. Pacific St., Box 356125  
Seattle, WA 98195-6125  
206-598-4170 or 206-598-4370

## **Parking**

UWMC provides parking validation for patients and visitors for parking in the Triangle garage only. With validation, the charge for parking is \$8 per visit. You can obtain validation at your clinic or other service location inside the hospital.

Recreational vehicles may not be parked in the garage overnight, according to city code. A list of area RV parks is available from UW Parking Services at 206-685-1553 or online at [www.washington.edu/commuterservices/parking/rvlist.php](http://www.washington.edu/commuterservices/parking/rvlist.php).

***Questions***

For information on parking services at UWMC, call:

Triangle Garage.....	206-598-3460
Surgery Pavilion Garage .....	206-598-0892
Valet Parking.....	206-598-0177
UWMC Parking Services.....	206-598-4275

**Airport Shuttle**

Shuttle Express is generally the most convenient and least expensive form of transportation to and from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

Shuttle Express.....	206-622-1424
	Toll-free in Washington state 800-487-7433
	Toll-free outside Washington state 800-324-9227

**Taxi Services**

Taxi service is available at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport outside the baggage claim area, and throughout the Seattle area.

Farwest Taxi.....	206-622-1717
Yellow Cab.....	206-622-6500
Broadway Cab.....	206-622-4800
Orange Cab.....	206-522-8800

Here are the average fares to UWMC from the airport, train station, and bus terminal:

From Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.....	\$35
From Union Station.....	\$27
From Greyhound Bus Terminal .....	\$15

**Car Rental**

Rental cars are available at the airport. A variety of companies are listed in the Yellow Pages.

Avis .....	206-433-5231 or 800-331-1212
Budget .....	206-243-2400 or 800-527-0700
Hertz .....	206-682-5050 or 800-654-3131

## Questions?

Call 206-598-4370

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or health care provider if you have questions or concerns. UWMC clinic staff are also available to help at any time.

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## Metro Bus Services

Metro, Seattle's public bus system, is an inexpensive and efficient travel option. Schedules are located inside UWMC's 3<sup>rd</sup> floor main entrance. Fares are higher during peak hours, weekdays from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

You can get information at any time by calling:

Metro 24-Hour Rider Information Line:.....206-553-3000  
TTY/TDD users .....206-684-2029

When calling for information, be prepared to give the operator your current location, destination, and the time that you wish to travel. Metro also has a Web site at <http://transit.metrokc.gov>, with a user-friendly "trip planner" option.

### *Taking Metro from the Airport to UWMC*

Take bus #174 or #194 to downtown Seattle (University Street Transit Tunnel). Transfer to #43 (Third Avenue and Pike Street), which will take you to UWMC. The complete trip takes 50 to 75 minutes, depending on time of day and traffic. All #194 and #43, and most #174 buses are wheelchair-accessible.

Most buses run every half-hour on weekdays and every hour on weekends. The cost is \$2 during peak hours and \$1.25 during off-peak hours. Be sure to request a transfer from the driver of the first bus you ride, so you will only need to pay once each way.

### *Taking Metro from Union Train Station (Amtrak) to UWMC*

Take bus #7, #14, or #36 going downtown from Fourth and Jackson Street (in front of Union Station). Travel north on Third Avenue, and get off the bus at the corner of Third Avenue and Union Street. Walk 1 block north to the corner of Third Avenue and Pike Street. Take bus #43 to UWMC. The complete trip takes 40 to 55 minutes.

The cost is \$1.50 during peak hours and \$1.25 during off-peak hours. Be sure to request a transfer from the driver of the first bus you ride, so you will only need to pay once each way.

### *Taking Metro from the Greyhound Bus Terminal to UWMC*

Take bus #25 from the corner of Ninth Avenue and Howell Street, at the terminal's southeast corner. Get off at the stop across from UWMC at the corner of Montlake Blvd. N.E. and N.E. Pacific Street. The cost is \$1.50 during peak hours and \$1.25 during off-peak hours.

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