

# Maternity Care



## Introduction

At Carolina OB/GYN, our staff and doctors feel privileged to take part in this extraordinary time in a woman's life. Our doctors deliver at Roper Hospital in downtown Charleston and Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital in West Ashley. We encourage you to schedule a tour and sign up for child birth classes by calling (843) 402-CARE.

Our staff is dedicated to your individual needs. All of our doctors are highly experienced in obstetrical care, so you know you and your baby are in great hands. Maternity patients may want to get to know each one of our doctors, especially during the third trimester. The doctor on call may be the one to deliver your baby. We are here for you to answer questions, offer encouragement, and provide the best possible care.

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## Prenatal Care

Regular and early obstetrical care is very important to having a healthy baby. Our expert team of obstetricians and registered nurses are well positioned and prepared to provide expectant mothers with excellent prenatal care.

It is important to keep all scheduled appointments and get any lab work or ultrasounds ordered by the doctor. Maintaining regular visits can help ensure a healthy pregnancy and catch any special needs early on. Good nutrition, getting enough sleep and just taking care of yourself are all important too.

## Obstetrical Emergencies

During pregnancy, emergencies include pelvic pain, cramping and bleeding. Please call the office at (843) 577-0220 right away if you experience these symptoms. After hours, our answering service will contact the doctor on-call to assist you.

## Financial

We recommend that you call your insurance company to learn about prenatal resources, insurance benefits for maternity care and preauthorization requirements. We also offer a discounted rate for pregnant patients who do not have insurance and don't qualify for Medicaid. The office will work with you to establish a prepayment plan for the doctor care portion of your maternity care. The hospital and outside laboratories also have additional fees.

Please notify the office as soon as possible if your insurance company changes.

