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PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN (\$\$)

- Typical wait time: 10 calendar days /
 - some same day availability
- · Routine checkups
- Annual physicals
- Immunizations
- · General health management
- · Preventive services



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RETAIL CLINIC (\$\$)



Typical wait time: 15 to 20 minutes

- · Allergies
- Common infections (i.e. sinus, ear, strep throat, urinary tract)
- · Minor skin conditions (i.e. poison ivy)
- · Minor injuries
- · Ear and throat aches
- · Skin conditions and rashes
- · Pink eve

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EMERGENCY ROOM (\$\$\$\$)

Typical wait time: 30+ minutes

- · Severe pain, especially in the chest or upper abdomen
- · Uncontrollable bleeding
- · Difficulty breathing, speaking or walking
- · Sudden change in vision or weakness
- · Severe head injury
- · Severe trauma or serious musculoskeletal injuries
- · Suicidal or homicidal feelings

- Poisoning
- · Major burns
- · Spinal injury
- Fainting / dizziness





VIRTUAL VISIT (\$)

Typical wait time: 15 minutes

- Allergies
- · Sinus issues
- · Bladder infections
- · Mild cough or cold
- · Bronchitis
- · Stomach ache
- Diarrhea
- · Mild fever
- · Pink eye
- · Rash
- · Sore throat

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URGENT CARE (\$\$\$)

Typical wait time: 15 minutes

- Minor infections
- · Animal and insect bites
- · Severe asthma
- · Mild vomiting
- Diarrhea

- · Minor burns or cuts
- · Sprains, strains and minor fractures

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URGENCY CENTER (\$\$\$\$\$)

Typical wait time: 30+ minutes

A newer care option, these freestanding emergency rooms can often cause confusion.

After all, their name is similar to urgent care and they offer many of the same services as hospital-based emergency rooms. But there is a big difference.

An urgency center is more expensive than an urgent care or traditional ER. It also requires you to be transported if you need extensive care.



