

The Auxiliary

Why does Overlook Hospital have an Auxiliary?

Overlook Hospital is a part of Atlantic Health, one of New Jersey's largest nonprofit health care systems. As a nonprofit organization, Overlook Hospital strives to deliver high quality, safe, and affordable health care with respect and compassion. The Overlook Hospital Auxiliary, an independent organization made up of men and women of all ages, supports the hospital by providing much needed hands-on support and creative fundraising. Our efforts provide many of the extras that make Overlook Hospital special in our area. The volunteer commitment of each member may be achieved either by working as an Auxiliary member or as an Auxiliary/Twig member.

What are some activities in which the Auxiliary is involved?

The focus of the Auxiliary is volunteering and fundraising. Our Gift Shop and Bloom, located in the hospital's Main Lobby and staffed by our volunteers, is popular with patients, staff and the local community. The Auxiliary also holds a **biennial** Kitchen Tour which features several of the areas fabulous private kitchens. The *Art at Overlook* program provides local New Jersey artists an opportunity to exhibit in the public areas of the hospital. Our popular Spring Luncheon and Meeting feature interesting guest speakers. Other Auxiliary activities and programs create opportunities for Auxiliary members to *Join Hands for the Good of Our Community*.

What are some programs and projects that the Auxiliary supports?

The Auxiliary supports important hospital programs like the Carol G. Simon Cancer Center, Child Life, Health Start Clinic, Hospice/Home Care, Pastoral Care and Social Services. The Auxiliary also funds several Nursing scholarships for qualifying candidates on an annual basis. Our dynamic *Wish List* program is open to all departments within Overlook Hospital to submit for those "extra" items the departments would like. In addition, the Auxiliary helped fund several large building projects including the Emergency Department, the Pediatric Playroom and the new Caregivers Center.

Twigs

Who may become a Twig member?

Anyone can start a Twig. Your Twig can consist of a group of friends from your community, neighborhood, Place of Worship, town or workplace. Your spouses are invited to join as well. All Twig members must be dues paying members of the Auxiliary. Once established, your Twig will be part of the Auxiliary. You will work together for the benefit of Overlook Hospital. Your Twig will decide which activities you would enjoy doing as a group. Your projects can include both fundraising for the benefit of the hospital and/or volunteer service within the hospital. The Auxiliary maintains a *Wish List* of items requested by Departments within Overlook that need funding, to assist you in the funding process.

In which activities are Twigs currently involved?

Twigs are responsible for many volunteer activities. Some include the Donate Life program, decorating the hospital during the holiday season, hosting several in-hospital vendor sales throughout the year including the very popular *Holiday Boutique*, *Jones NY Coat Sale*, making *Love Pillows* for post-operative patients and sewing Benji Puppets for pediatric patients. Twigs are instrumental in raising funds to benefit the hospital through the Annual Derby Day, Holiday Luminary sale and many other opportunities to *Join Hands for the Good of Our Community*.

How would my Twig help to support Overlook Hospital?

Your Twig may choose to participate in activities from the many in-hospital volunteer opportunities at Overlook or you can fund items from the Auxiliary *Wish List*. You may also choose to let your creativity loose and spearhead a fundraising activity that inspires many. In any event, Twigs are groups of hard working members who also have lots of fun together!

How to get involved

I'm interested in joining the Auxiliary - how do I begin?

We invite you to be a part of the Auxiliary. Simply complete the form on the back of this brochure and mail it along with your \$25 dues check to our Business Office at the address provided. Upon receiving your completed form and dues check, you will be added to our membership rolls and you will be an Auxiliary member. All members receive our quarterly newsletter *The Pulse* and are encouraged to actively pursue volunteer opportunities at Overlook Hospital.

Twigs sound like a lot of fun - how might I start one?

After you and any friends become members of the Auxiliary, you will be *Joining Hands* and coming together as a Twig. Simply complete the form on the back of this brochure and mail it along with your \$25 dues check to our Business Office at the address provided.

Does the Auxiliary have a website?

We invite you to read more about our organization, our most recent activities, calendar of events and activities and the many volunteer opportunities at our website:

www.ohaux.org



Complete this form to Join the Auxiliary

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____

Zip Code _____

Phone _____

Cell _____

E-mail _____

_____ I would like to join the Overlook Auxiliary.
Enclosed is my **\$25** Annual Membership Dues.

Please contact me regarding the steps I should take
to:

_____ Start a NEW Twig

_____ Join Existing Twig

Mail this form with your membership dues to:

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The Overlook Hospital Auxiliary is a volunteer organization committed to serving the entire hospital community, fostering a compassionate and comforting environment, through hands-on volunteering and innovative fundraising.