

Orthopedic Primary Care Program

Muscle and joint pain can progress from an occasional nuisance to a daily occurrence. When it begins to affect your mobility, keep you awake at night, or impact your daily living, it's time to take action. At Pioneer Physicians Network, we realize that treating your orthopedic condition requires a team of capable medical professionals, including the primary care physician who knows you best. That's why we created the Orthopedic Primary Care Program -- a new collaboration between Pioneer Physicians Network and the Summa Health Orthopedic Institute. The Orthopedic Primary Care Program is a customized approach to comprehensive orthopedic care that represents a seamless and effective treatment protocol for orthopedic patients.

Making A Plan

The Orthopedic Primary Care Program combines the best of both worlds: the personalized care and holistic approach provided by your primary care physician with the expertise of leading orthopedic surgeons.

Orthopedic Navigator

At the center of your treatment is your personal Orthopedic Navigator, a nurse who supports all communication and appointment scheduling between you and your physicians. The Orthopedic Navigator will be your "go-to" person to answer questions, review your medical history, conduct screenings, and provide education about your treatment plan. The Orthopedic Navigator is there for you every step of the way.



Surgery

When your condition requires more extensive care, Summa Health's Orthopedic specialists are there to help. Known as one of the region's best in orthopedic care, they too utilize non-surgical treatments as the first approach to your care. For those patients who do not respond to non-surgical treatments, they also offer the most advanced, minimally invasive surgical approaches to orthopedic care.

Recovery

Your recovery is also important to us. Our Orthopedic Navigator will coordinate with your care team to ensure you have a personalized plan for your return to your everyday activities. Physical therapy or occupational therapy might be recommended in order to reach your goals.

Customized Care

By receiving care through the Orthopedic Primary Care Program, patients have access to multiple locations throughout the Akron area where they can benefit from a comprehensive, customized array of services including the following:

- Shared decision making between patient, Orthopedic Navigator, primary care doctor and orthopedic physician
- After your care team develops a personalized plan, the experienced Summa Orthopedic Specialists will provide you with the best possible treatment protocol
- If scheduled for surgery, the Orthopedic Navigator will arrange for pre-operative education, and make sure you have a seamless transition to home with appropriate postoperative services or therapy if needed.



When a patient comes to us with an orthopedic problem, we first take a conservative approach to treatment. Through physical therapy, nutrition counseling, and other conservative treatments, patients can sometimes improve their health to the extent that surgery is unnecessary. In the event that operative care is needed, Pioneer Physicians will work directly with physicians at the Summa Health Orthopedic Institute. Our Orthopedic Navigator is able to walk patients through every step of the treatment process.

Mark McRoberts, M.D., Medical Director, Paradigm Senior Care Advantage



Our Alpha and our Omega is the patient. We will always do what is best for the patient...not what is easy for us. Every individual we hire is required to be a problemsolver with a positive attitude—all in the service of patient care.

> Jeffrey Junko, M.D., Program Director, Summa Health Orthopaedic Surgery Residence Program



One of our 12 sub-specialty trained surgeons and 5 primary care sports medicine physicians will see a patient within 24-48 hours after the initial outreach. Access to care is paramount to our mission. We have physicians on call 24/7 and whatever the patient needs, whenever he or she needs it, we will find a way to take care of them.

Scott Weiner, M.D., Chair and Medical Director of the Summa Health Orthopedic Institute

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Pioneer Physicians Network is a network of independent physician practices located in the Greater Akron/ Canton area.

Our network has 50 board-certified primary care providers with specialties of Family Practice, Podiatry, Pediatrics and Internal Medicine. We are proud to be one of the largest Primary Care Independent Physician Networks in Northeast Ohio.

Clinic Locations

Columbia Woods Medical Group Norton, Ohio (330) 825-7371

Family Practice Associates Massillon, Ohio (330) 832-3188

Family Practice Center of Wadsworth Wadsworth, Ohio (330) 334-6229

Great Trail Family Practice Minerva, Ohio (330) 868-6044

Hearthstone Family Practice Uniontown, Ohio (330) 896-6111

Internal Medicine of Green Akron, Ohio (330) 899-9070

Internal Medicine West Fairlawn, Ohio (330) 864-4488



Louisville Medical Center Louisville, Ohio (330) 875-3366

North Canton Family Physicians North Canton, Ohio (330) 494-6012

Northampton Primary Care Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio (330) 923-4500

Northeast Family Health Care Tallmadge, Ohio (330) 633-6601

Pioneer Foot & Ankle Care Akron, Ohio (330) 899-1051

South Main Street Medical Center Akron, Ohio (330) 644-2700

Springfield Primary Care Akron, Ohio (330) 628-4044

Springside Internal Medicine Fairlawn, Ohio (330) 376-1071

Stow Internists Stow, Ohio (330) 688-3657

For more information on the Orthopedic Primary Care Program, contact your primary care provider, or visit us at: pioneerphysicians.com

Summa Health Orthopedic Institute offers same-day, next-day appointments to help you get on the road to recovery faster. Our orthopedic specialists treat all musculoskeletal conditions -- bones, joints, cartilage, ligaments, muscles and tendons. Whether your injury is recent or has been getting worse over time, Summa's orthopedic specialists will provide you with the latest treatment options.