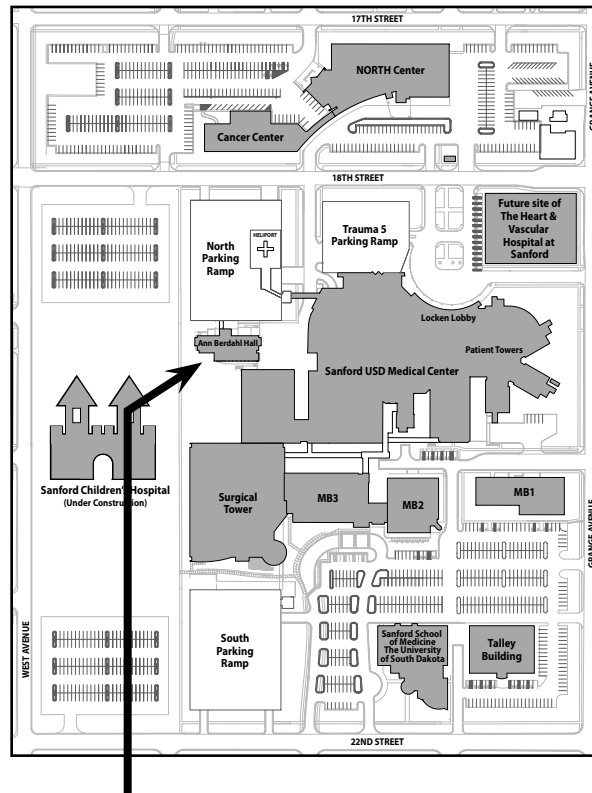


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for Blood Disorders
is a federally funded
hemophilia treatment center
established to meet the
need for comprehensive,
long-term care of persons
with inherited bleeding
or clotting disorders.*



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The South Dakota Center for Blood Disorders provides comprehensive, long-term care for children and adults with inherited blood disorders. This includes but is not limited to:

- Hemophilia A
- Hemophilia B
- Carrier States for Hemophilia A and B
- vonWillebrand Disease
- Inherited Platelet Disorders
- Factor V Leiden Mutation
- Rare Factor Deficiencies such as FII, V, VII, XI
- Protein S Deficiency
- Antithrombin III Deficiency
- Dysfibrinogenemias (Fibrin Abnormalities)

How is the blood disorder diagnosed?

The main feature of a blood disorder is excess bleeding due to the inability of the blood to clot adequately. Frequent symptoms of blood disorders are:

- Bruising easily
- Heavy prolonged periods
- Frequent nosebleeds
- Unusual bleeding from the mouth or gums
- Excessive bleeding after having teeth pulled
- Swollen, painful joints
- Excessive bleeding following trauma or a surgical procedure

Blood disorders are diagnosed by a hematologist (a specialist in recognizing and treating blood diseases) following a thorough medical history, physical examination and laboratory tests.

How is a blood disorder treated?

Once diagnosed, individual treatment plans are developed. Most often these plans involve the use of factor (clotting protein) replacement. Care is coordinated with the patient's family physician and the local emergency room. The long-term goal is to train the patient to independently self-infuse at home.

Center staff can provide education or inservices to others who may work with the patient or spend a great deal of time with him/her (i.e.: teachers, day care providers, coaches, local clinic/hospital staff).

What is comprehensive care?

Comprehensive care is a multi-disciplinary approach to care. A team of specially-trained professionals and physician specialists work with the patient and family to develop an individual plan of care for each patient. The goal in comprehensive care is to prevent multiple complications which may occur with blood disorders.

Nationally Recognized Quality

The South Dakota Center for Blood Disorders is the only nationally recognized comprehensive Hemophilia Treatment Center in South Dakota. The Center receives federal funding to provide care, education, outreach, and lowest cost medications.

Eligible patients are invited to participate in the Center for Disease Control's (CDC) Universal Data Collection Project. This project provides free viral testing and joint monitoring to prevent joint disease which may accompany blood disorders.

24 Hour Availability

Our hematologists are available for phone consultations 24-hours a day, seven days a week.

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