



Banner Gateway Medical Center



Women and Infants Services

At Banner Health, 80 percent of our employees are women, as are most of our key leaders. We understand women's busy lives. More importantly, we combine leading technology and advanced care with a true understanding of women's health care needs.

Banner Gateway is a next-generation medical center that blends the latest in medical technology with true healing environments to provide exceptional care for women at every stage of life. We offer an array of services to meet the changing health care needs of women.

Maternity Services

Having a baby is an exciting time in a woman's life. Our physicians and staff work together to meet the needs of mothers-to-be and their babies throughout the pregnancy, labor, delivery and recovery experience.

We provide personalized care using the latest technology in a family-centered environment. Following a couplet care model, mothers and babies at Banner Gateway are cared for together whenever possible, with family and friends involved as the patient desires.

We also offer a wide range of education programs including childbirth education, parenting classes, 'daddy boot camp,' sibling classes and lactation counseling for breastfeeding moms.

Birthing Services

Every birth is a unique experience, and we have the expertise to care for some of the most complex pregnancies and deliveries.

As part of our next-generation of medical care, we have implemented the *Intelligent Patient Record OB* information system, which uses electronic medical records to provide improved monitoring and care documentation, as well as customized care guidelines. This state-of-the-art system has been proven to prevent medical errors and to provide more comprehensive care for mothers and babies.

Labor & Delivery

For patient convenience, we maintain a private OB entrance with 24 hour access for women in labor. Here, patients are assessed and taken to an OB triage room or one of the hospital's labor and delivery suites. The hospital's OB operating suites are used in Cesarean (C-section) deliveries or when surgical intervention is otherwise necessary.

Adding serenity to the unit, a Japanese Soaking Tub is available to help women relax and ease the stress of labor. It may also be used after delivery with physician's orders.

Another relaxing feature is a private healing garden providing patients and their families a safe and secure location to reflect on their experience.

After Delivery

Banner Gateway follows a couplet care model for mothers and well babies. Following delivery, new mothers move to a private postpartum recovery suite which is large enough to accommodate mother, baby and family. Rooms include private bathrooms, couches that convert to beds, and such amenities as flat screen televisions, DVD players, Internet access and mini refrigerators. Maternity patients also receive room service meals compliments of the Culinary Services department.

Flexible visiting hours for maternity patients ensure family and friends can help celebrate the happy occasion.

Nursery/Newborn Care

While we promote couplet care, we also offer a nursery that can accommodate up to ten well babies at once. In addition to this well nursery, the unit maintains a Level II Special Care Nursery that can care for up to eight babies. To ensure the safety of each baby, the Women's and Infant Services department utilizes a state-of-the-art security system.

Jeremiah's Toy Corral

At Banner Gateway, babies who need extra help receive a care package through Jeremiah's Toy Corral. Nurses identify those babies who need newborn clothing, and make sure they receive a care package prior to discharge.

To make certain there are enough items on hand for these special care packages, Banner Gateway seeks donations of new onesies and sleepers, booties, receiving blankets and quilts for babies ages newborn through six months.

Jeremiah's Toy Corral donations are always welcome and may be dropped off at the Women and Infants Services reception desk. Please call (480) 543-2734 for more information.

Gynecology Services

Banner Gateway offers minimally invasive alternatives to many gynecologic surgeries including hysterectomies, endometriosis, pelvic reconstruction and more.

This advanced surgical approach enables women to return home quicker following their procedure. Additionally, recovery time is greatly shortened.

Speak with your physician to determine whether minimally invasive surgery is right for you.

Breast Health

Early detection is key to curing breast cancer. For that reason, we strive to educate women on the importance of proper breast health practices. Through a combination of monthly self-examinations, annual screening mammograms and ongoing support groups, women are better prepared to manage their personal breast health.

Mammography services are offered on the Banner Gateway campus by Inland Imaging Arizona, located in the Canyon Springs Medical Plaza west of the hospital. Inland Imaging Arizona and Banner Health are partners in providing state-of-the-art, outpatient digital imaging services. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call Inland Imaging Arizona at (480) 543-6400.

Support & Education

Banner Gateway offers an array of support programs and educational classes for women and parents-to-be.

From childbirth preparation and baby care classes to 'daddy boot camp' and sibling classes, we help prepare families for the arrival of a new baby.

For more information or to register for a class, please call (602) 230-CARE (2273).

