

Child Life Specialist Available  
Monday - Friday  
7:00am-5:30pm

 Elliot



# ELLIOT GOES TO THE HOSPITAL

Emergency Department  
IV



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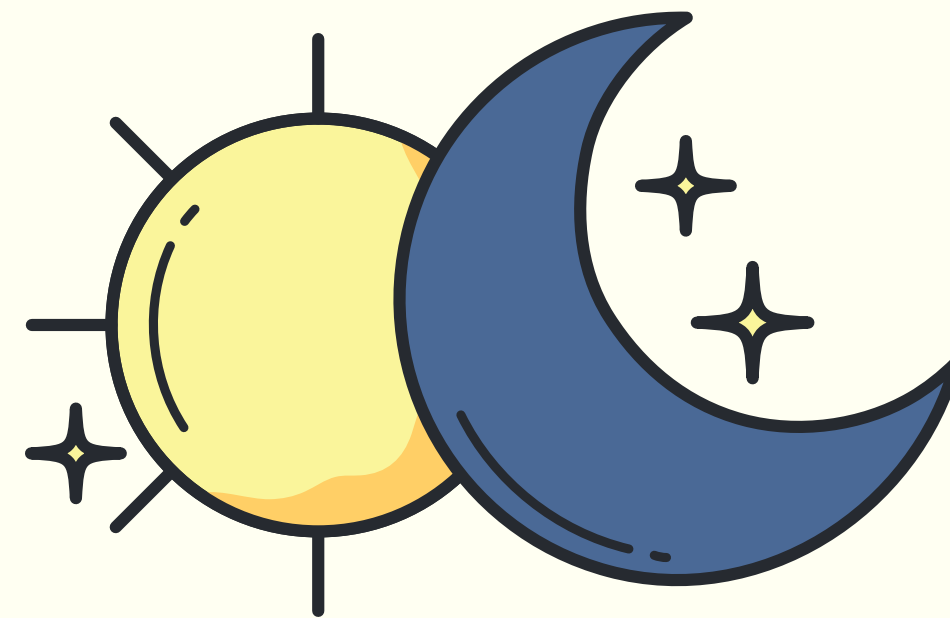
Hi, my name is Elliot!

I came to the hospital to help my body feel better. Doctors and nurses are here to help!





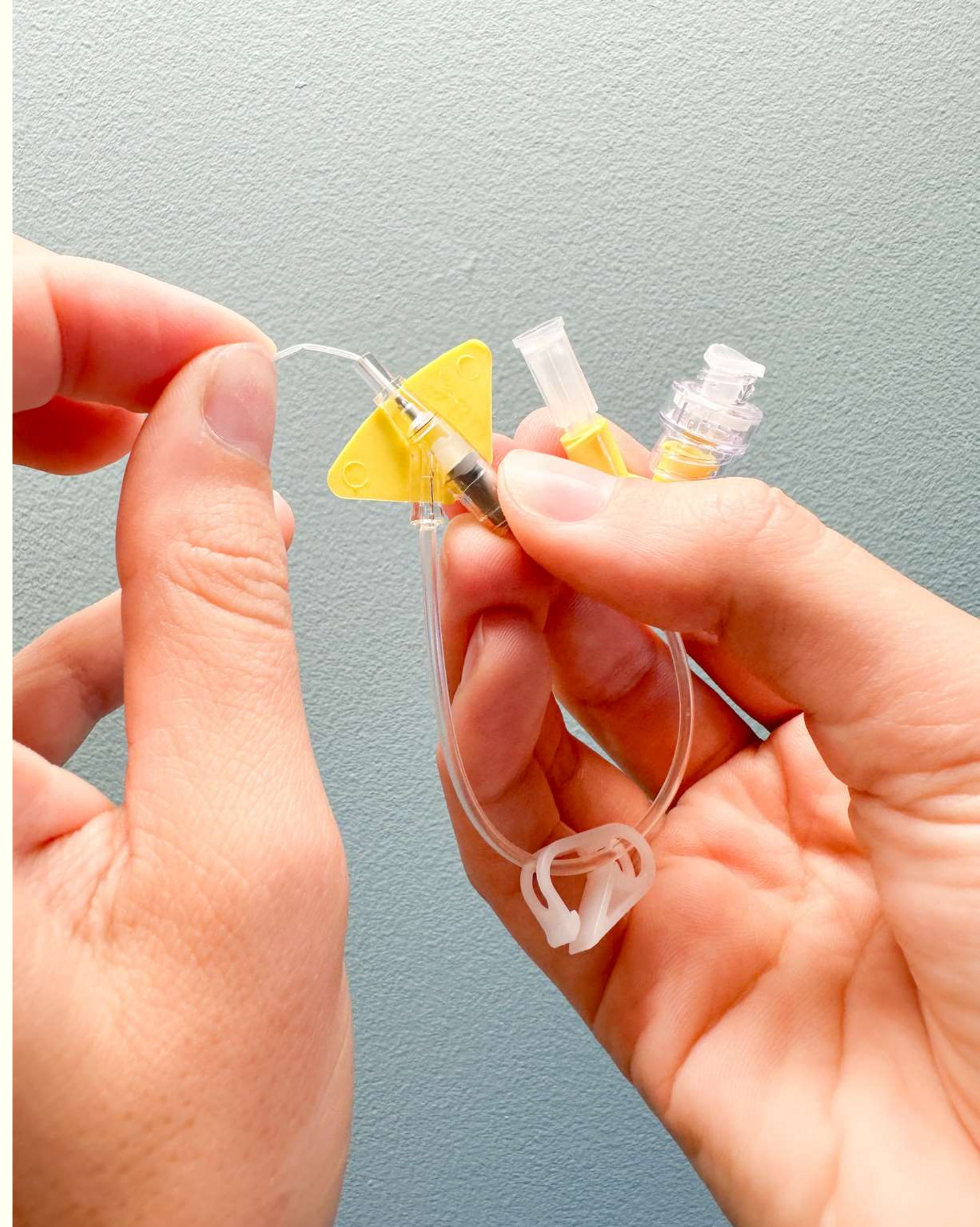
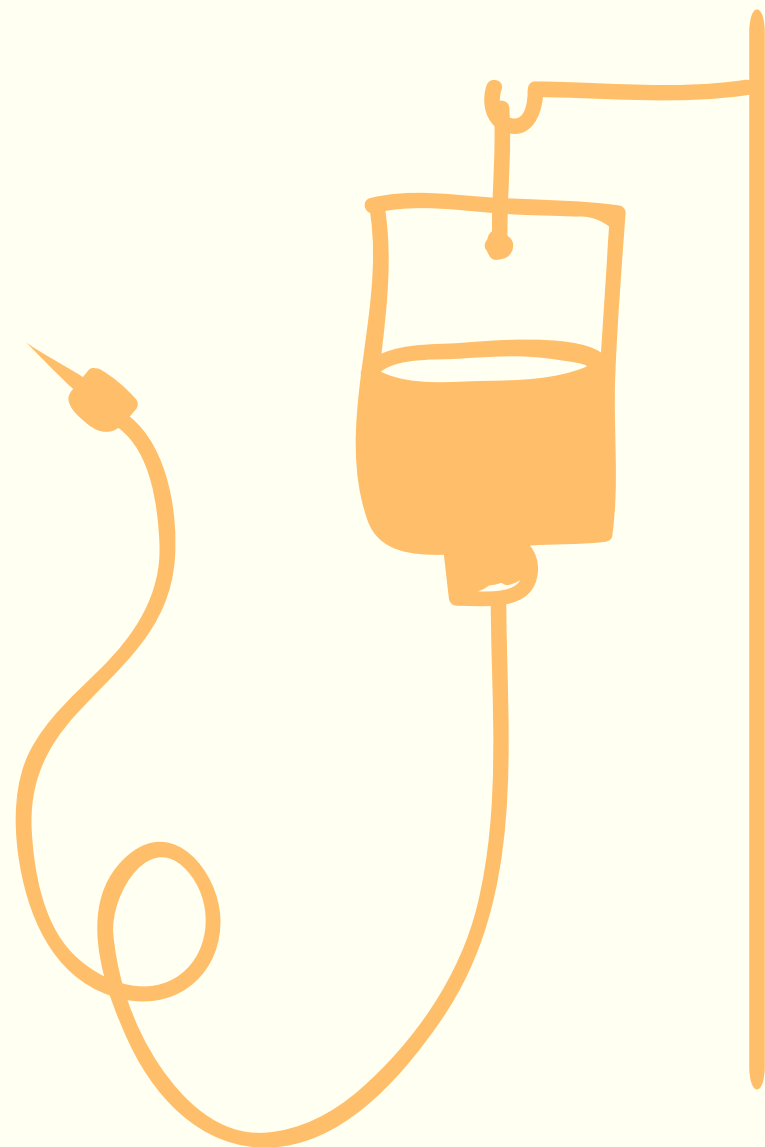
I am in the Emergency Department. The Emergency Department is an area of the hospital where doctors and nurses are ready to help kids and grown-ups. The Emergency Department is open all day and all night.





Today my body needs an IV.

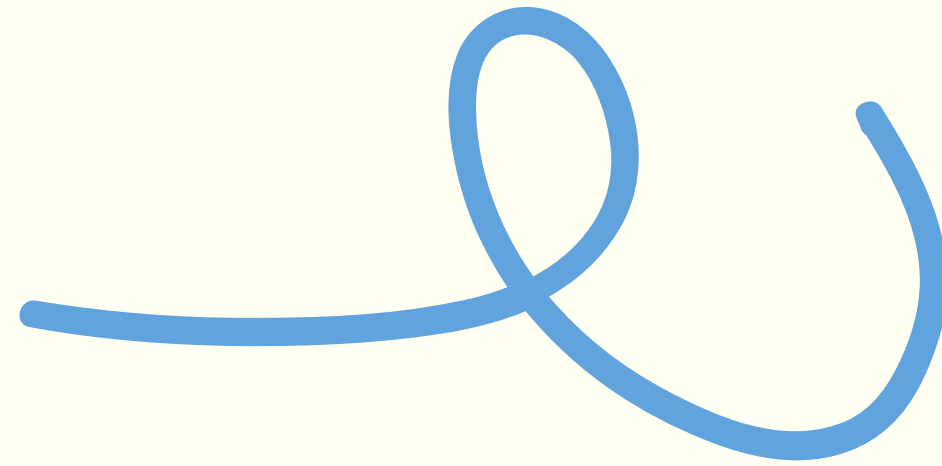
An IV is a little bendy straw that gives my body medicine. I call it my “medicine straw”







To get ready for my IV, someone will look at my arm to find the right spot for the straw.



They will use a rubber band to give my arm a squeeze. Then, they will use a sponge to clean my arm.





My job is to hold still like a statue.

I can choose a distraction if I want.

Some ideas for distraction are:

Playing iSpy

Squeezing a ball

Watching a video

Listening to music

etc.



If sitting with your grown-up will help you feel better,  
you can talk with your nurse or child life specialist  
about a comfort position.





There will be a quick poke to get the medicine straw in the right place. The poke will come out and the straw will stay where it needs to be.



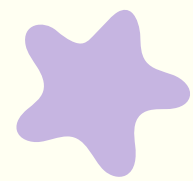


A sticker will help my medicine straw stay in the right place.

Medicine tubes will attach to the medicine straw like Legos. They can use the medicine tubes to check my blood and to give my body medicine.

I can still move and play when I have an IV.





When my IV is all done, everyone will be so proud of me!

My IV will come out before I go home.



*Please Note: Your child's plan of care may change from the steps listed, in order to meet your child's individual needs.*

