

Emergency Room or Urgent Care?

A freestanding ER is a fully equipped emergency room located away from the main hospital and staffed by the same emergency physicians and nurses. Urgent care handles minor illnesses and injuries — the kind you'd see a primary care doctor for if you could get in same-day.

Not every illness or injury requires emergency-level care. Here are a few examples to help you determine which care option may be right for your needs:

	FSER	URGENT CARE
Abdominal pain / Difficulty breathing		
Allergies		
Broken bones or fractures		
Rash		
Chest pain or discomfort		
Common cold		
Ear infection		
Deep cuts or open wounds		
Severe allergic reactions		
Minor cuts and falls		