## Six Important Things to Know About Barlow Respiratory Hospital

	At Barlow Respiratory Hospita	al	<i>If it were your loved one</i> , would you want them to be here? No one can make the decision for you. While you are considering where your loved one will get the best possible care, it can help to ask your physician or discharge planner, <i>"If it were your loved one?"</i>
1	Your Loved One		
2	24 Hour Care		A physician is on-site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at all Barlow locations. This is standard for an LTCH, but not for a nursing home. Barlow provides the highest standard of Post-ICU care for your loved one. Our interdisciplinary teams include Board-Certified Physicians, Respiratory Therapists and Registered Nurses. Barlow hires only Registered Nurses, which provides an additional level of expertise to your loved one's care.
3	Patient Treatment Plans		Each patient receives an individualized assessment of their bio-psycho- social needs to develop a treatment and discharge plan. The plan is implemented by nurses and licensed respiratory and rehabilitation therapists (physical, occupational, speech/language therapists), social workers and nurse case managers.
4	Family Participation	\ \ 	We know that when a family member is ill, the entire family is impacted. A partnership with the patient, family and medical providers maximizes every opportunity for recovery, particularly when the patient is unable to communicate their wishes. Our teams work to include family members to share information on patient progress.
5	Access to Specialists		Each patient's attending physician directs their care and makes recommendations to specialists that may include: Nephrology, Psychology, Hematology, Cardiology, Infectious Disease, Gastroenterology, and Wound Care. Based on the severity of a patient's medical condition, other services may be sought for the patient.
6	Discharge and Insurance		We accept Medicare, Medi-Cal and private insurance. Our Barlow Admissions and Discharge Planning teams are available to answer your questions. Soon after admission to Barlow Respiratory Hospital, we begin to develop a discharge plan for the next step in recovery. Our teams take time to accommodate each patient's individual needs to arrange for the most appropriate placement in the next setting.