



Glencoe Regional Health Services

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GRHS Opens New Hospital Entrance

GLENCOE, Minn. (June 30, 2016) — Glencoe Regional Health Services (GRHS) re-opened its hospital entrance and several interior spaces last week as part of a \$5 million renovation project. Construction began in September 2016 and should be completed by November 2017. The hospital is located at 1805 Hennepin Ave. N. in Glencoe.

“We’re renovating to improve our services and provide greater comfort and privacy to patients who come to the hospital for urgent care, surgical procedures, emergency care, medical imaging and office visits with specialists in orthopedics, podiatry, oncology, urology and pulmonology,” said Jon D. Braband, FACHE, president and CEO of GRHS. “Opening some of our new spaces last week was an important milestone in this effort.”

Renovated areas that are now open include:

- Hospital entrance with canopied drive and registration/check-in desk that is designed for enhanced patient privacy and confidentiality
- Larger, more comfortable facilities for patients undergoing chemotherapy and other types of infusion therapy
- In-house magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) suite with a new MRI scanner
- Private waiting room for patients undergoing surgery and their family members
- New endoscopy suite and surgical procedure room
- Clinic exam rooms and outpatient procedure rooms for urology care

Areas still under construction but set to open this fall are:

- Outpatient clinic exam rooms and outpatient treatment facilities closer to operating rooms and imaging technology for more efficient care of oncology, orthopedics, podiatry and pulmonology patients
- Additional and larger pre-operative care and post-surgical recovery bays and a reconfigured nurses station in the surgery department
- Reorganized space for more efficient patient care in the emergency room (ER) and urgent care center, including direct access between the ER and medical laboratory for staff to order tests and receive results quickly
- A large, dedicated decontamination room for receiving patients exposed to chemicals and other hazardous materials

Construction had affected all hospital patients and visitors

As construction has shifted to different areas in the hospital, traffic flow in and around GRHS campus has improved.

All of the parking spaces in front of the hospital entrance have been restored. The south entrance to the parking lot has also re-opened. Visitors to campus may now use the hospital entrance to check in for the Best Beginnings Birth Center, emergency room, infusion services, medical imaging, respiratory therapy, surgery and urgent care.

“The dust hasn’t completely settled as some areas are still being worked on. We ask patients and visitors to continue to bear with us as we finish the construction project. But they should find it easier to get around the next time they visit,” said Braband.

About GRHS

Glencoe Regional Health Services was founded in 1941. It includes a primary-care clinic, 25-bed critical access hospital, a 110-bed nursing home and a 40-unit independent senior housing complex in Glencoe, and outpatient clinics in Lester Prairie and Stewart. For more information, visit grhsonline.org.