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“CHCC Prepares for a New Normal”

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation (CHCC) is pleased to announce the reopening of some hospital services at this time. COVID-19 has prompted the need for significant changes to safeguard the employees and our patients, including establishing new and improved processes for speedy check-in and signage to ensure proper social distancing throughout the facility.

Some modifications to services include:

- Elective or non-emergency surgeries for patients are being scheduled.
- Testing requests for outbound travelers which may need lab-certification for entry to their destination are available at the MCATS Tent #13 (upper parking lot of Navy Hill campus) by appointment only.
- Children’s Clinic and Family Care Clinic have expanded services to include tele-visits using video chat or phone calls.
- Check-in kiosks for Children’s Clinic and Family Care Clinic allow for speedy check-in and social distancing, and each kiosk self-disinfects using UV light after each use.
- Waiting areas and queue lines are reconfigured to facilitate social distancing.



Entrance to the hospital will remain limited, and screening upon entry, including temperature checks, will continue.

For hospitalizations, at this time the CHCC is allowing one (1) visitor per patient each hour between 9:00AM-11:00AM and 3:00PM-5:00PM. Patients and visitors will be asked to wear masks, which can be provided if needed.

These updates apply:

- One partner allowed for labor/delivery patients. Visitor rules apply after delivery (one (1) visitor per patient each hour between 9:00AM-11:00AM and 3:00PM-5:00PM).

- One parent or caregiver will be allowed for pediatric patients. Parent or will be allowed to leave the room or be replaced by another person.
- Family for patients at end-of-life care, visiting hours may be adjusted and will be cleared by our screeners.
- Visitor rules are subject to change.

The CHCC would like to assure the community that it is taking every precaution to ensure that each of its facilities are safe and healthy environments for patients. Patients are urged to continue to seek regular health care services, including primary care of chronic conditions and any urgent care needed.

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