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Adirondack Health demos new operating room suites

SARANAC LAKE – Adirondack Health will soon break ground on a transformational restructuring of the surgical department at Adirondack Medical Center in Saranac Lake, which will offer new and expanded services for residents and visitors. But first, they want to make sure all their ‘ducts’ are in a row.

On March 10, a mock-up of one of six new operating suites will be available for viewing and walk through at the Harrietstown Town Hall. This gives doctors, nurses and everyone else who will be working in the new ORs a chance to double check that everything is in place prior to shovels hitting the dirt. It also give the public a unique opportunity to see the inside of an operating room.

Operating suites are very complex, and require a lot of technology and equipment. Something as simple as a missing electrical outlet or a misplaced duct could result in set-backs and complications during the building process. In order to eliminate those concerns, operating room staff will have the chance to see the building plans for themselves in a very hands-on environment and provide their feedback.

Along with a demonstration of what a new suite will look like, an old operating room will also be taped out on the floor so people can more easily conceptualize the changes that are taking place. Some of the companies that supply operating room equipment will be present to demonstrate how their products will fit into Adirondack Health’s new suites.

The only experience many people have with healthcare is from the patient’s perspective. Adirondack Health is hoping that the OR demonstrations will provide a more accessible look into the world of surgery and medical technology. Therefore, the public is encouraged to come and see for themselves the exciting changes that are taking place at Adirondack Medical Center.

In conjunction with the Saranac Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, an open house will be held at the Harrietstown Town Hall from 5 – 7 pm on Thursday, March 10. Tours of the mock ORs will be provided and children are encouraged to bring their teddy bears to our special Teddy Bear Clinic, where kids and doctors will work together to diagnose and treat beloved bears. This is a free event and refreshments will be provided, along with a chance to win special door prizes.

ABOUT ADIRONDACK HEALTH

Adirondack Health is the family of facilities and individuals who have provided sophisticated care to the Adirondack region of northern New York and beyond for the past 100 years. They include: Adirondack Medical Center/Saranac Lake, Adirondack Medical Center/Lake Placid, Mountain Health Center (Keene), Lake Placid Health Center, Saranac Lake Health Center, Tupper Lake Health Center, Mercy Living Center (Tupper Lake), Uihlein Living Center (Lake Placid) and Adirondack Dental Service (Lake Placid). The highly trained and compassionate individuals who work at



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these facilities provide a full range of medical, surgical and long-term care services. Adirondack Health is the only full service health system in the Adirondack Park.

Adirondack Health is not only the leading provider of healthcare for the residents and visitors of the Adirondack region, it is also the largest private employer in the Adirondack Park. In addition to the physical and social health of the community, Adirondack Health plays a significant role in the economic health of the community. With over 850 full-time employees, Adirondack Health has a \$148 million annual impact on the local economy. As a result of these factors, and more, Adirondack Health is a key community institution and an advocate for improving the health and economic well-being of the patients, residents, businesses and visitors it serves.

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