

# **MARTIN GENERAL HOSPITAL WEEKLY UPDATE**

## **SEPTEMBER 8, 2023**

### **1. MEDICAL RECORDS APPLICATION**

The following document is the Authorization form for Use and or Disclosure of Protected Health Information. The form is for individuals seeking their medical records from Martin General Hospital and or associated clinics.

In completion of the application, forms should be submitted:

**In an envelope at the East side of the hospital on Tuesday or Thursdays between the hours of 1:00 pm – 4:00 PM**

<https://cms9files.revize.com/martincountync/Document%20Center/Public%20Notices/2023/Martin%20General%20Hospital%20Authorization%20for%20Use%20and%20or%20Disclosure%20of%20Protected%20Health%20Information.pdf>

### **2. HELECOPTER PAD LOCATED AT HOSPITAL**

The Trustee has advised the helicopter pad may be used for a medical emergency. EMS should use it for a helicopter transport only.

### **3. HOSPITAL APPEARANCE**

On this coming Saturday September 9, the grass is being cut at Martin General Hospital. We realize it is extremely important to keep up the appearance for a myriad of reasons most of all for prospective providers of MGH.

### **4. BUILDING AND CLINICS NOT INVOLVED IN CHAPTER 7**

The debtor in the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy case is WHC and as such, all of the assets of WHC currently fall under control of Don Beskrone, Chapter 7 Trustee (the “Trustee”).

However, there appear to be buildings and clinics that are NOT leased, run, or owned by WHC around the hospital campus. Because those assets are not leased, run, or owned by WHC, those are NOT part of the WHC bankruptcy case and NOT under control of the Trustee.

Due to the fact that there are several different legal entities, along with WHC that operated on or around the hospital campus, it can be difficult to determine exactly who leases, runs, or owns a particular property and/or practice.

The County is aware that there are outside entities who have expressed interest in some of these properties and in those instances, there are practical steps that should be undertaken:

### ***Step 1: Communication***

All communications regarding potential interest should be directed to both the County Manager and County Attorney.

### ***Step 2: Determination of Who Owns the Property***

The County Manager and County Attorney shall take steps to review the ownership of the property to determine whether it is leased or owned by WHC or some other entity. If it is determined that the property is leased or owned by WHC, then the interested party will be directed to the Trustee, until such time as the Trustee relinquishes control of any assets.

### ***Step 3: Determination of Who Owns the Operations***

The County Manager and County Attorney shall take steps to review the ownership of any operations contained in the building to determine whether it is leased or owned by WHC or some other entity. If it is determined that the property is leased or owned by WHC, then the interested party will be directed to the Trustee, until such time as the Trustee relinquishes control of any assets.

## **5. HOW TO STRUCTURE A DEAL**

If it is determined that neither the property nor the operations are leased, run, or owned by WHC, then a transaction can be contemplated. If the County owns the property, then a lease will need to be negotiated with the interested party.

Additionally, the Trustee should be kept informed for notice purposes, until the Trustee relinquishes control of any assets.

## **6. MOVING FORWARD**

Our staff of attorney's have completed a call this afternoon that involved the Planning for a Certificate of Need Section and the Acute Care Licensure Section of the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services and the N.C. Attorney General's Office to update them on developments with respect to the hospital and to create a go-forward relationship as the plans unfold.