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Highland District Hospital's Building Expansion Project 2020 Reaches Next Milestone



Hillsboro, Ohio - March 10, 2020 The progress of Building Expansion Project 2020 is full steam ahead as three new areas are opening on Monday, March 23, 2020. On this date, patients and visitors may start using the new patient entrance off of the newly expanded parking lot on the west side of the building, just off of Fenner Road. This new entrance was constructed to allow drive-up, drop-off for patients, a more open and inviting entryway with access to several departments, and additional registration access points, just inside the entrance. Furthermore, the Cancer Care & Hematology department, which has been moved from the third floor to now the second floor, will be opening the doors to their new unit. "This area was designed with comfort in mind. It is now westward facing with windows that stretch the entire length of the unit. This is a welcoming atmosphere for patients who spend several hours a day with us," stated Tim Parry, Vice President of Operations. The third area to be completed during this milestone includes the complete relocation of The Center for Rehabilitation & Sports Medicine from its current location on Northview Drive, to on-campus. Spanning nearly the entire first floor of the new addition, the complex features new equipment, expanded treatment space, individual patient treatment bays, and an industry leading 80 foot track system used to support patients while working on strength, balance, and ambulation. "This system provides a safe ambulation environment for both patients and therapists. The patient can focus more fully on their task without fear of falling, and the therapist can focus on assisting the patient, rather than supporting the patient," stated Blain Williams, Doctor of Physical Therapy and The Center for Rehabilitation & Sports Medicine Manager. "This is a valuable tool in returning our



patients to their optimal level of care." The remainder of the project will continue throughout 2020, focusing on relocating the current inpatient, medical/surgical unit from the second floor to the third floor, and completing the second floor orthopedic clinic space.