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New clinics offer expanded care for Warrenton

Coming soon to Warrenton: expanded health services. At two Providence clinics near each other, we will provide primary care, cardiology, outpatient surgery, a new program for prevention and wellness, plus more.

“Being able to offer all these services in two neighboring locations provides us with a tremendous opportunity to meet the needs of more people all along the North Coast,” said Robert Morse, D.O., a cardiologist and chief medical officer of Providence’s North Coast Service Area.



If it wasn't for your amazing generosity, this expansion couldn't happen. You donated \$1.5 million for this project, one of our biggest fundraising efforts this year. Providence is investing more than \$12 million. We are also raising an additional \$150,000 for operational expenses.

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Providence has offered primary care in Warrenton for years at a clinic in Young's Bay Plaza on Highway 101. Seeing a need to serve more people with additional services, we put together an ambitious fundraising goal to expand the current space and add a clinic nearby.

The new space will offer a range of services, including heart care, which will be moved from our existing heart clinic in Astoria. Meanwhile, what's now the primary care clinic will be converted to a center for wellness and prevention known as Providence Basecamp, an innovative program of wellness and prevention that guides people to movement, nutrition and better health.

Construction and remodeling should begin in early 2024 and is expected to take 10 to 11 months to complete.

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Fun furniture, activities welcome kids to clinics

Taking children to a medical clinic here in Seaside will soon be less stressful for parents – and more fun for children.

"We want kids to feel comfortable when parents bring them here," said Lisa Sampson, senior clinic manager, Providence North Coast Clinics. "We want to celebrate kids by meeting them where they are, not in a chair where their feet don't touch the ground."

A grant from the Juan Young Trust supported the purchase of child-sized furniture and interactive games for the almost 900 children seen each year at Providence Seaside Hospital's primary care and walk-in clinics. The furniture and activities will be in the waiting and pediatric treatment rooms.

"Our current waiting room has nothing that is inviting or distracting for children," Lisa said. "For parents, it can be difficult. We hope to be able to offer a dedicated space that provides children with a calming and fun environment to counteract the stress associated with their appointments and procedures."

We hope to have the waiting rooms and activities in use by the end of 2023. ■



Remodeled sterilizing area improves quality, safety

Brandi Gustafson, RN, is looking forward to the expansion and modernization of the area that sterilizes medical and surgical equipment.

Brandi, manager of surgical services for Providence Seaside Hospital, joked, “It will be quite a treat to use a sterile processing area that is not the size of a walk-in closet.” Adding, in all seriousness, “Having a larger and high-functioning Sterile Processing Department is a key factor to ensure the safety and outcome of any procedure.

“Without one, we can’t offer the highest quality to our community,” she said.

Thanks to a grant from the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, Providence Seaside will soon feature a larger and highly advanced Sterile Processing Department.

The department serves the entire hospital, cleaning instruments for surgical and medical uses and playing a critical role in controlling the outbreak of infectious diseases.

It consists of a sterile processing room and a decontamination room where cleaning occurs.

Ideally, a larger and modern sterilizing area will allow the hospital to serve more patients, performing 35% more surgeries and 20% more outpatient procedures.

The project is expected to be complete in 2024 – and not a moment too soon. “This project is important to help us meet the critical needs of our community,” Brandi said. ■



Chausonette Alcala (left), surgical technician, and Kathleen Gilbert, sterile processing technician, look forward to the expanded area.

Festival of Trees supports those in need

Lindsay Goodman sees it every week: A patient is ready to leave the hospital but has no way to get home or no way to pay for medicine.

“It’s a huge, ongoing problem,” said Lindsay, a medical social worker at Providence Seaside Hospital. “Without safe transportation or the right medication, people end up in a crisis.”

That’s where you come in. With the assistance of Providence Cares, funded in part by our annual Festival of Trees event, you help those in need with these issues and more.

“If we didn’t have this fund, I don’t know what we would do,” Lindsay said. “Some people couldn’t leave the hospital while others wouldn’t have the meds they need to keep them from coming back to the hospital.”

Proceeds from this year’s Safeway | Providence Festival of Trees supports Providence Cares, as well as Community Connections, a program that provides rides to medical appointments; and Providence Healthy Smiles, which offers improved dental care to schoolchildren and their families.

This year’s event will be held Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023, at Seaside Civic and Convention Center.

Reserve your seat today. Visit ProvidenceFoundations.org/seasidegala. ■



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