

HSC Winnipeg Women's Hospital ON THE MOVE



3 Weeks until First Patient Day

NOVEMBER 15, 2019

It's "All Hands on Deck!" as move day nears

Planning and implementing this large-scale transition of patients from one facility to another is a monumental task. From "big picture" to granular detail, staff have been hard at work making sure everything is in place to safely transition our patients from HSC Women's Hospital and from Neonatal Intensive Care (NICU) to the new facility at 665 William Avenue.

It really is "all hands on deck" as move day gets closer. Clinical and non-clinical staff and management from every aspect of patient care comprise the teams involved with move planning and with the physical move: Nursing, Respiratory Therapy, Patient Transport, Housekeeping, Infection Prevention & Control, Physicians, Maintenance, Capital Planning, Clinical Engineering, Nutrition & Food Services, Communications, Digital Health, Pharmacy, Supply & Distribution, Spiritual Health, Volunteer Services, and Facility Management.

Getting ready

A staggering amount of activity is taking place in preparation for the move. Here are a few examples of work underway:

- In addition to checking and validating every piece of new clinical equipment, Clinical Engineering has been checking every piece of existing equipment that will be moved, to ensure it is working properly, that the wheels are in good working order, and replacing parts as needed;

- Women's Health and NICU staff are validating every one of the patient care rooms in the new 388,550 square foot building to ensure each room has all the correct furnishings and equipment needed for patient care;
- Staff have developed a checklist of patient requirements. On move day staff will record each patient's specific needs on the checklist, which will travel with the patient to ensure continuity of care.

Move sequence overview:

- Initial equipment and supplies will be moved prior to First Patient Day (December 1), starting November 27.
- Patients will be transported on Sunday December 1, beginning at 8:00 a.m. We expect that all patients will be in their new rooms by early afternoon.
- To minimize infection risk, all equipment will be wiped down before leaving the sending site and then again by our "Clean Team" at the receiving site before the equipment is moved up to the unit.
- Following the safe transfer of all patients, the final supplies and equipment will be moved.

Patient support during the move

From the beginning to end of the move, each patient will be attended by a nurse, and extra medical staff will be on hand to ensure safe transition. Staff from each unit will serve as "Senders" and "Receivers". Senders ensure that each patient leaves their current unit with everything needed for continuity of care. Receivers will ensure that the patient arrives and settles into their new room safely and comfortably.



Pictured: Physical move prep meeting for staff

OPENING: December 1, 2019

**0730 hrs OPEN: NEW HSC WOMEN'S HOSPITAL
at 665 William Avenue**

All new Neonatal Intensive Care (NICU)
and Women's Health patients admitted to
665 William Ave

CLOSED: Women's Hospital at 735 Notre
Dame and all current NICUs; No new
patients admitted.