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Mercy Hospital Extends Closure of Emergency Department at Mercy Ambulatory Care Center in Orchard Park

With the continued surge in COVID-19 patients across the region, as well as the increasing number of hospital staff who are unable to work after testing positive for the virus, **Mercy Hospital of Buffalo is extending the temporary closure of its Emergency Department at the Mercy Ambulatory Care Center (MACC) in Orchard Park through the end of January.** While other outpatient services have remained open* at the center located at 3669 Southwestern Boulevard, the MACC's Emergency Department has been closed since November 9, 2021.

With the extended closure of the Emergency Department at the MACC, Cardiac Rehabilitation Services at the Orchard Park site will also remain temporarily suspended.

***All other outpatient services at the MACC are OPEN as usual, including:**

- COVID Swabbing Station
- Pre-Surgical Testing
- Imaging Services
- Pulmonary Function Testing Clinic
- EKG Testing
- Wound Healing Center
- Partners In Rehab/AthletiCare Rehabilitation Services
- Laboratory Services

EMS providers have been notified of the closure extension. According to previous recommendations from the Erie County Department of Health, area residents with non-emergent medical conditions should consider other alternatives to hospital emergency treatment, including contacting their primary care provider, visiting an urgent care facility, or using telemedicine services, such as CH Care OnDemand at chcareondemand.org. Those with more serious medical emergencies should go to the nearest hospital Emergency Department, including Mercy Hospital, or call 9-1-1.

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