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PHASE II CONSTRUCTION BEGINS AT FRICK HOSPITAL;
REVAMP OF FIRST FLOOR CAFÉ AND MAIN ENTRANCE ON TAP

MOUNT PLEASANT, PA, March 30, 2016 … Excela Health is poised to begin the second phase of a five-year-transformation of the Frick Hospital campus to create a modern, state-of-the-art medical mall in what eventually will become known as Excela Square at Frick. Expanding access to vital health care services, the transformation began in 2014 with the modernization of the recognized and growing emergency department serving more than 22,000 residents per year, an Advanced Wound Center, Advanced Sleep Center and an expanded QuikDraw Plus area. Included in Phase II, a modern first floor café, an expanded and modern main lobby and rotunda entrance to the campus, and further expansion of the QuikDraw Plus service area to promote a private, healing environment for care. Construction on this phase begins April 4.

Augmenting these upgrades is the relocation of the chapel and Healing Garden and the creation of a secondary public entrance with canopy. Phase II is expected to be finished by February 2017.

When complete, the new first floor café will offer expanded seating areas with skylights, made to order food stations, extensive soup and salad bar, gourmet coffee bar, as well as daily features. The café will be modeled after the recently renovated Side Street Café at Westmoreland Hospital and also include video monitors for internal announcements as well as television viewing.

While the café is under construction, food service for the Frick campus will be provided on the hospital’s second floor, where the cafeteria will be open...
seven days a week from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. to accommodate both staff and visitors. The chapel, including the decorative stained glass window, has already been relocated to the second floor in the vicinity of the cafeteria. The Healing Garden will be re-established in a sheltered area outside the hospital later this year.

To accommodate the main entrance lobby expansion, a secondary public entrance to the right of the hospital near the helipad is planned. An Information/Greeter Desk will be part of the secondary entrance and patients may wait here for transportation as needed.

The Frick Hospital campus also is the health system’s primary location for new employee orientation and a state-of-the-art Clinical Education Center and Regional Simulation Learning Laboratory.

The final phase of campus transformation includes the modernization of medical offices for primary care and specialists into the patient-centered medical home concept already in place at Excela Square at Norwin.