Wayne Memorial Re-Opens Diagnostic Services, Safety a Priority

Patients in Need Encouraged to Schedule Tests

Wayne Memorial Hospital is phasing in services to help provide essential care for non-COVID patients following the guidelines of the federal government announced on April 16th. The first phase, the re-opening of diagnostic services, such as CT scan and MRI, will begin Monday, April 27th. These services had been limited to all but emergency or urgent cases since mid-March. All of the hospital’s security measures, such as restricted visitation and access, temperature checks and screenings will remain in place.

“Caring for patients is at the heart of these actions,” said CEO David Hoff, “This is what our doctors and other healthcare providers asked us to do.”

“We are concerned about poor health outcomes in patients not following up on their chronic health conditions,” said James Cruse, MD, director of Wayne Memorial Community Health Centers and a Family Medicine physician. “While COVID-19 is the topic right now, we still need to take care of diabetes, high cholesterol, heart disease, hypertension and other chronic conditions. We are still seeing serious complications from these. Follow-ups of testing abnormalities, evaluations of acute problems with lab and imaging studies, cannot wait.”

Services for non-COVID patients

PHASE ONE RE-OPENING

Hospital: MRI, CT Scan, all labs 24/7
Off-site Outpatient:

Hamlin
Lab Mon-Fri 6:30am – 2:45p X-rays Mon-Fri 7:30am – 7:30pm, Saturdays and Sundays
9:00am - 3:00pm, Ultrasound by appointment

Carbondale
Lab Mon-Fri 7am – 2:30pm X-ray & EKG Mon-Fri 7am – 3:30pm

Lords Valley (Pike Medical Center)
Lab Mon-Sat 7:30am – 4pm Xrays Mon-Fri 7:30am – 3:30pm

Laboratory Services - 6:30am – 10:30am:
Tafton at the Pinnacle Family Health Center
Forest City Family Health Center
Waymart Outpatient Site, Route 6
Route 6 Mall, Honesdale

SAFETY MEASURES AT THE HOSPITAL
• Engineering controls: Barriers between chairs to maintain social distancing
• All patients, visitors & staff must be MASKED
• Screening at doorways – temperature checks, COVID triage questions
• Visitor restrictions – no visitors except in special situations such as end-of-life and maternity
• Access restriction - entry only via Main Entrance (Mon-Fri 6am – 4pm) or Emergency Department
• Registration – most of it done by phone with Central Scheduling prior to arrival
• Multiple service appointments to be grouped so patient time is minimized in the hospital