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Halifax Regional Launches Secure Online Patient Portal

HalifaxHealthLink Provides Access to Personal Health Information and Medical Records 24/7

Roanoke Rapids, NC (September 2, 2014) – Halifax Regional recently went live with HalifaxHealthLink, a secure online portal that gives users convenient 24-hour access to their personal health information and medical records from any smart phone, tablet, or similar mobile device.

"There is a growing trend by health care providers to develop tools which help patients take an active role in their own health care", said Robert Gordon, Director of Information Systems, Halifax Regional. "HalifaxHealthLink is a secure and convenient online tool making health management easier and reliable."

HalifaxHealthLink allows users to securely access their hospital medical records when they want, where they want and follows the successful rollout of FollowMyHealth, the online portal for patients of Roanoke Clinic, Roanoke Valley Internal Medicine, and Halifax Regional Cardiology.

Enrollment in the HalifaxHealthLink portal takes a few simple steps. To enroll, users have to provide a personal email address—spouses sharing an email will need to provide two distinct email addresses to complete enrollment—and also have their medical record number. The user would then receive, by email, a one-time user ID and one time password. After users create a secure username and password, they are free to explore the portal and manage their personal health information. Portal users may also authorize a family member or caregiver proxy access to view their medical record.

Once enrollment is complete, patients or designated proxies can access:

- Lab results, radiology reports
- Immunization records
- Appointment history and upcoming hospital appointments
- Discharge summary including
- · Medication instructions; and
- Personal health summary

Halifax Regional is actively promoting HalifaxHealthLink, and is working hard to get patients enrolled and accessing their records. To learn about HalifaxHealthLink, visit www.halifaxregional.org or call 252-535-8405.

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization,
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