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HALIFAX REGIONAL TO OPEN NEW ENTRANCE FOR PATIENTS MONDAY

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (March 2, 2012)—Halifax Regional will open an entrance for all patients Monday, using the renovated reception and registration areas for the first time.

"We believe that having all patients use one entrance at the Medical Center will be quicker, less confusing for patients and will simplify the registration process," said Barbara Moore, RN, manager of the construction project.

"We're delighted to open the new registration area for all patients," said Moore. "We appreciate the understanding that patients have shown over the last eight weeks, using the main entrance of the Medical Center for registration."

Patients will now be greeted by a registration coordinator who will direct them to one of our new, private registration areas. "Patients and their families will experience a healing environment with more privacy and convenience," added Moore. "Overall, there is a more aesthetically pleasing atmosphere."

In addition, the newly renovated reception area for the Lab will also be open.

The parking lot adjacent to the patient entrance and Emergency Care Center is open for patients and visitors. The lot has 47 additional spaces.

For the convenience of patients and their families, parking continues to be available in the main lot for visitors and patients using the new patience entrance.

"Even though the entrance and registration areas are open, construction continues in other areas of the project," Moore said. "We ask for patience and understanding as there will be inconvenience during construction. We will provide patients every possible assistance."

Approximately 40% of the \$6.5 million project is complete. The project is on schedule, with completion scheduled for this fall.

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About Halifax Regional

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization, Halifax Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. For more information, visit www.halifaxregional.org.