

DISTRICT HEALTH NEWS

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Dear Friends, Neighbors, and Community Members,



2020 was a challenging year for the country, our community, and our hospital. I joined MarinHealth® in the middle of the pandemic, just in time for the opening of our new building. I've presided over the launch of three new hospitals in my career, but I'm proud to say our Oak Pavilion is by far the most state of the art. Our first day exceeded our expectations. Care teams were in the building and ready to get to work an hour and a half ahead of schedule, and we delivered our first baby that very day!

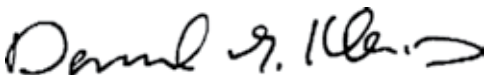
Since my first week on the job, I was proud to join Marin Healthcare District Board's COVID-19 Task Force, created to assess and address the community's most pressing COVID-19 related needs. We have supported a variety of key initiatives, including:

- **Triage kits** for those quarantining at home to measure their oxygen saturation and temperature
- **Personal protective equipment (PPE) and staffing personnel** for skilled nursing and residential facilities in the event of an outbreak
- **Temporary housing for COVID-19 patients** whose living situation makes it impossible for them to isolate
- **Contact tracing**
- **Population antibody testing**
- **Mobile testing centers**
- **Community vaccination clinics**

Meanwhile, I have been working with the Marin Healthcare District Board and the MarinHealth Medical Center Board to develop a new strategic plan. Some of the topics being explored include growth opportunities within our current services, potential future offerings, physician recruitment, and finding new ways to leverage our alliance with UCSF Health.

In closing, I'd like to share how pleased I am to be a part of MarinHealth. As an independent hospital with a great track record and a strong academic affiliation, we are in a position to adjust quickly to changing community needs. I look forward to a brilliant future for our hospital, our medical network, and this wonderful community.

Sincerely,



David G. Klein, MD, MBA
Chief Executive Officer

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Putting Our COVID-19 Task Force to the Test

On April 5, 2020, our Marin Healthcare District Board of Directors declared a state of emergency in the District and voted to commit funds to help protect the health of our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. In order to assess pandemic-related needs and make funding recommendations, we formed a COVID-19 Task Force: Brian Su, MD (Chair); Jason Ruben, MD; Gregg Tolliver, MD; Ramo Naidu, MD; Matt Willis, MD, MPH; Elizabeth Lowe, MD; Irene Teper, MD; Lee Domanico, and David G. Klein, MD.

We implemented a wide range of measures, but testing quickly emerged as a clear and pressing need, particularly in group housing situations. To address that, we established mobile testing “centers” – vans equipped with testing materials and personal protective equipment (PPE). Each mobile center is staffed by one physician plus three physician extenders (nurse practitioners and/or physician assistants). Now, we are able to regularly test residents and staff members of Marin’s 10 skilled nursing facilities, 50 residential care facilities for the elderly, and 2 behavioral



health facilities. Regular repeat testing at these facilities will be conducted throughout the pandemic to help us get ahead of any potential outbreaks.

There have been areas of outbreak among the homeless and in underserved communities such as Marin City and the Canal area in San Rafael. We have deployed mobile testing centers to these communities.

COMMUNITY HEALTH SEMINARS

Information and Education for Healthy Living

Our ongoing Health Seminars are designed to help keep the community informed on valuable health topics. We started our 2020 series with *Women and Cardiometabolic Health*, which focused on the number one cause of death in US women: heart disease. Attendees learned about cardiometabolic risk factors and their role in increasing a woman’s risk for vascular events and/or developing diabetes.

After that popular seminar, we adjusted our program to keep people informed about COVID-19. Our June lecture, *COVID-19: What is Happening & How Is Marin Responding?* focused on the surge in new COVID-19 cases that Marin was experiencing at the time. We presented timely information on the pandemic, our community response, and how to best protect oneself from exposure to the virus. Our September lecture, *The Latest on COVID-19 in Marin*, provided an update on the latest science and safety measures.



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New Oak Pavilion Takes Healthcare to the Next Level

As Marin's only full-service, acute-care hospital, MarinHealth Medical Center has always been the community's premier healthcare resource.

With its beautiful healing environment, smart technologies, and top-of-the-line equipment, the new Oak Pavilion has enhanced patient care, comfort, and safety in a multitude of ways:

- The Emergency Department (ED) & Trauma Center receives 70% of the county's ambulance traffic and provides lifesaving stroke and heart attack care. The new ED is three times the size of the old one, with five trauma bays and 20 private patient rooms, including negative pressure and decontamination rooms to safely care for infectious patients. There is a separate entrance and treatment area for psychiatric, and high-security patients, and a dedicated check-in and waiting area for children.



Multiplatform procedure room

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Exterior view of the Emergency Department

- The Intensive Care Unit (ICU) has 19 spacious private rooms, each with its own private bathroom. ICU rooms have lifts to safely move patients on and off the bed. Special e-ICU technology allows patients and providers to communicate virtually if needed.
- Imaging & Radiology is equipped with the most advanced X-ray, CT, MRI, molecular imaging, and ultrasound equipment, all coupled with state-of-the-art computer technology. The department's new central location makes it much easier for radiologists to collaborate with the emergency, surgery, and intensive care Departments.
- Surgery & Procedures boasts three large new operating rooms with plenty of space to accommodate the latest equipment. Two of these rooms can be equipped for robotic surgery with the latest-generation da Vinci Xi[®] surgical system. Three additional multiuse suites can be used for both traditional surgery and interventional procedures such as electrophysiology, cardiac catheterization, and interventional radiology. There is also a specially equipped Heart Room for open cardiovascular surgeries.
- Maternity Care features 15 large all-private labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum (LDRP) rooms with private baths, allowing mothers and babies to stay in the same place throughout labor and delivery. Two side-by-side C-section procedure rooms are always at the ready for planned or emergency cesareans, with an operating team onsite 24/7. The new Level II NICU has seven private patient rooms and is staffed around-the-clock with an in-house pediatric hospitalist who specializes in neonatology. Newborns and their families also have 24-hour access to neonatologists from UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital.



One of our spacious maternity LDRP rooms



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