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Fairview Park Hospital Limits Entrances & Screening Visitors to Protect Against COVID-19 Coronavirus

DUBLIN, GEORGIA (03/04/2020): Fairview Park Hospital has not received any patients who have tested positive for the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

“At this time we have not seen any local impact of coronavirus, COVID-19. Our team is taking every precaution to protect our patients, our caregivers and our community. We have implemented special precautions to inhibit any spread of this virus should it come into Dublin-Laurens County,” said Donald R. Avery, President and CEO of Fairview Park Hospital.

To protect our patients, guests and caregivers, effective Wednesday, March 4, the hospital will be limiting public entrances to only the ER, Main Entrance, and Same Day Surgery Entrance of the hospital. When visitors or patients arrive on campus, they should utilize those entrances. Greeters will be screening at those entrances with a list of basic questions to help ensure that individuals who might spread the virus get the care they need while not exposing patients, staff and other guests.

We would ask that you not visit if you:

- Have a fever
- Have a cough or shortness of breath and have traveled outside the US in the past 14 days
- Have had direct contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19

“For many people, COVID-19 will present very similarly to the flu and they will recover safely at home with rest and fluids,” said Chief Medical Officer George Harrison, MD. “Those at highest risk are the elderly and immunosuppressed. The best protection right now is hand washing, covering your cough and avoiding large groups of people.”

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