

## Incident Command Update – Dec. 7, 2021

**TODAY'S CENSUS:** CMMC 132; Bridgton Hospital 21; Rumford Hospital 19

**EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT HOLDS:** CMMC 22; Bridgton Hospital 3; Rumford Hospital 3

**COVID-19 PATIENTS:** CMMC 24; Bridgton 4; Rumford 1

**CMMC TRANSFER WAITLIST:** 8

**HOSPITAL SERVICES CURRENTLY IMPACTED:** Inpatient Pediatrics; Special Care Nursery

### TODAY'S UPDATE

1. Across the system, our Emergency Departments are holding 34 admitted patients. The Operating Rooms are having a busy week with more inpatients than anticipated and we are looking at how to manage the schedule.
2. Twenty-six team members are out with confirmed COVID-19. Test results for another 29 team members are pending. Please remain vigilant with infection prevention protocols including masking and hand hygiene.
3. Education for a CMMC discharge lobby at 60 High St. is well underway. This will be for patients who can safely wait for their rides in the lobby following discharge from an inpatient bed. We have a target go live date of Dec. 15. Keep an eye out for more details.
4. We approved a policy today on how to handle ambulatory patients who are COVID-positive or suspected of having COVID and need same-day lab work. Here is the synopsis:
  - If the patient has home health, home health will manage the labs.
  - If the patient is at a practice where a lab-trained team member is available, the labs will be performed there.
  - If the patient is not in a practice, a lab-trained team member will arrange for the patient to have the last appointment of the day in the practice.All other patients will use the lab at Central Maine Healthcare Orthopedics. The full policy will be available on the team member portal over the next few days.
5. The Admission for Safe Disposition Awaiting Placement Policy was also approved. The policy is [attached here](#) and will be available on the team member portal.
6. CMH was on a call on Monday with federal officials with the National Disaster Medical System about surge staffing. We have requested 27 personnel.
7. Congratulations to Bridgton Hospital and Rumford Hospital for each being named a Top Rural Hospital by The Leapfrog Group! This prestigious designation is earned by only 23 hospitals nationwide this year.

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