

Incident Command Update – Dec. 8, 2021

TODAY'S CENSUS: CMMC 134; Bridgton Hospital 20; Rumford Hospital 16

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT HOLDS: CMMC 23; Bridgton Hospital 4; Rumford Hospital 3

COVID-19 PATIENTS: CMMC 27; Bridgton Hospital 4; Rumford Hospital 1

CMMC TRANSFER WAITLIST: 5

HOSPITAL SERVICES CURRENTLY IMPACTED: Inpatient Pediatrics; Special Care Nursery

TODAY'S UPDATE

1. Today, Gov. Janet Mills announced the activation of the Maine National Guard to help hospitals with capacity constraints. Central Maine Healthcare anticipates receiving National Guard staff for three areas: (1) nursing assistant support to open up to 16 swing beds at CMMC; (2) continued assistance into 2022 at our Auburn Mall vaccination site; and (3) opening up access to monoclonal antibody treatment to eligible patients at all three of our hospital campus areas.

Twelve National Guard members will report to CMMC on Dec. 16 to work on the swing unit on M2. Many thanks to the M2 team for all their work to prepare this unit to help decompress the medical center and provide care to more patients.

2. The Mills administration is requesting federal resources in the form of COVID-19 Surge Response Teams for CMMC and Maine Medical Center. If granted, we would receive nursing, therapy and nursing assistant and tech support for the CMMC Emergency Department, ICU and inpatient COVID units.

3. We continue to work with the state Department of Health and Human Services, Maine CDC and the Maine Emergency Management Agency to identify and stand up a state-run, state-staffed COVID testing center, which would alleviate the burden of testing at our Urgent Cares and Emergency Departments.

4. We now have a sick visit process for 12 High St. and an algorithm to help us mitigate exposure and risk. Thanks to the team members who came together to put this together. We expect to start the process in a limited manner at the end month Please [click here](#) for the material.

5. As we head into winter and deeper into the holiday season, another reminder to don a mask whenever indoors or at crowded outdoor gatherings. Please exercise good judgment both at work and when you are out with family and friends.

We are consistently screening phone calls from between 120-150 team members each week due to either COVID symptoms or exposure, with approximately 20-40 team members out of

work every day.

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