

JULY 25, 2017

HEALTH ADVISORY**Transporting Patients to Sanford Hospital Locations in Fargo**

Effective July 25, 2017, Sanford Health is operating three hospitals in Fargo. In addition to the new hospital located at 5225 23rd Ave. S., Fargo, the existing hospitals located on Broadway and South University Drive will remain open. The most significant change for EMS providers to note is the relocation of Sanford's Emergency Department.

- The Emergency Department (ED) at the new Sanford Medical Center Fargo (SMCF) opened at 5 a.m. on Tuesday, July 25. The ED at the Broadway location closed permanently at 5 a.m. today.
- SMCF is located at the crossroads of I-94 and Veterans Boulevard.
- The SMCF new address is 5225 23rd Ave. S., Fargo, ND 58104
- The ED ambulance garage is located on the north side of the facility facing I-94.
- The best route is to take Exit 347 from I-94 onto Veteran's Boulevard (9th Street East) and travel south to 23rd Avenue South. Turn east (left) onto 23rd Avenue and turn north (left) on 51st Street. Follow signs to the ambulance entrance.
- To enter the ED garage, stay to the left and utilize the audio/visual box to alert staff of your arrival.
- Patient reports can be given by contacting ED on the following radio channels:
 - North Dakota: V-MED 28
 - Minnesota: EMHSFG
- When transporting or picking up patients to or from any Sanford hospital in Fargo, contact Sanford's Traffic Controller RN at (701) 417-2100 for assistance. The Traffic Controller RN will be able to answer your questions, receive patient care reports and provide you with room numbers for direct-admit patients.

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