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HALIFAX REGIONAL CONTINUES TO RENOVATE AND TRANSFORM ITS PHYSICAL SPACE

Enhancements focus on accessibility, privacy, and cleanliness

ROANOKE RAPIDS, NC (November 26, 2012) — Halifax Regional continues to undergo a wave of facility improvements to enhance and modernize the medical centers' appearance. With a series of enhancements still underway, the medical center is focused on making cost-effective improvements in an effort to increase patient accessibility, improve privacy, and maintain high standards of cleanliness.

In October, the medical center completed a major \$6.5 million expansion and renovation project making way for more improvements through 2012 and into the coming year.

After a four-week renovation, the front lobby of the hospital is re-opening on Monday, November 26th. With the main lobby re-opening there will be a brighter and more spacious entry point to the hospital for visitors. Durable laminate wood flooring was installed along with a porcelain tiled accent wall to beautify the space. Color improvements were made to standardize the look and bring it in sync with those colors used throughout the outpatient area. New furniture will also be installed in this area in late January.

To increase accessibility, key way-finding and navigational improvements have been completed. Exterior signage near entry points on Smith Church Road and Old Farm Road have been updated along with the newly installed navigational signs near the Emergency and Outpatient access areas. Way finding improvements will be expanded into the first floor of the hospital to better guide patients and visitors to their desired locations.

2013 facility improvements will also include:

- Repaving of front parking lot (spring 2013)
- Internal way-finding/directional signage on first floor
- Additional restroom renovations (select areas)
- Renovation of all Birthing Center rooms
- New flooring installation in visitor elevators

“As we continue to improve our space, patients and their families remain a top priority,” said Will Mahone, president, Halifax Regional. “Our goal is to enhance the physical environment of Halifax Regional to compliment and match our cultural environment of providing high quality health care each day.”

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About Halifax Regional

Halifax Regional Medical Center is licensed for 204 beds, including psychiatric and nursery. A non-profit organization, Halifax Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission. For more information, visit www.halifaxregional.org.