



**Media Statement- please attribute to NHC Spokesperson**

We can confirm no additional patients at NHC Healthcare Chattanooga have tested positive at this time. Our partners (employees) continue to provide excellent care to our patients through incredible teamwork during these unprecedented times. We would like to thank all our partners (employees) for their excellent work and tireless dedication to our patients.

In line with CDC and CMS protocols, all patients and partners (employees) are being closely monitored for COVID-19 symptoms. The center had already taken steps to isolate the patient when symptoms occurred to prevent additional exposure prior to hospitalization per CDC and CMS recommendations. No partners (employees) have reported positive test results at this time. All families of patients have been notified of the positive case confirmation.

As a CMS 5-star center, NHC Healthcare Chattanooga remains committed to providing the best possible care to our patients. We are following the infection control recommendations from the CDC and CMS, including proper hand-washing techniques, social distancing, and wearing masks, gowns and gloves when caring for any symptomatic patients. Additionally, the Center has taken the appropriate steps to communicate with those who may have come in contact with the patient who tested positive as well as restricting all visits to the Center from non-essential personnel.

We appreciate all the incredible support from the Chattanooga community, Hamilton County Health Department, and our family members at NHC Healthcare Chattanooga.

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