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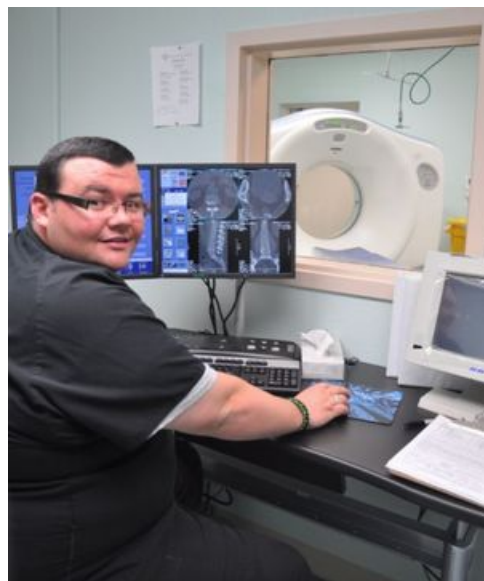
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In January, People's Choice Hospital (PCH) announced the official launch of Cochise Regional Hospital (CRH). Since then PCH has developed a plan that would produce positive financial results required for sustained viability and growth.

PCH clinical, managerial and technical teams have been actively involved both on site and from the National Telemedicine Hub in Chicago to identify where all aspects of hospital operations could be enhanced. Their immediate goal was to determine where new resources were needed.

One of their goals to continue their growth in services will be with an outpatient clinic.

"We are going to do an outpatient clinic it will be in conjunction with physicians from Sierra Vista," Vice President of Finance Christopher Alise "Depending on their specialty they will be here once a month or three times a month."



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CRH has a new CT scan to provide more and better services to the Douglas and surrounding communities pictured Technician Director Scott Anderson.

Ophthalmologist Timothy Hodges will be one of the many news faces at CRH. He will be at CRH once every three weeks.

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Dr. Hodges is currently taking appointments at CRH.

The clinic will up and full operational by the end of May.

“In additional to this we will have several physicians that will be consulting via telemedicine,” Alise added. “We have a talent psychiatrist based in Chicago that will provide psychiatry telemedicine, we can’t bring specialist in here five days a week every week we will be able to do it strategically were some of it is telemedicine based.”

They will also have a gastroenterology physician, the emergency care, surgical procedures, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, laboratory and radiology and prevention and wellness.

“We have a lot of new technology that is being installed,” Alise said. “We are investing in diagnostics equipment, we partnered with GE Healthcare, and they have a lot of advanced technology to offer.”

CRH has recently installed a CT scan, mammography and a new ultrasound machine that have all be provided by GE Healthcare.

With the new technology CRH hopes to provide more services to Douglas and the surrounding communities.

In recent weeks CRH has seen more patients come in to the facility for care.

As for emergency care location Alise stated they are currently working on the new location.

“The new emergency care will be the second phase of the hospital and once that is complete it will be amazing” Alise added.

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