Newman Memorial announces its plans

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As a result of a newly signed management agreement with People's Choice Hospital, Newman Memorial Hospital announces its plans for re-birth and growth into the future. The aggressive plans include reinstituting a multitude of services that were present in the past (and have since closed) as well as new services designed to produce revenue that should sustain the hospital into the future, regardless of economic times. The hospital is currently converting to the Empower Electronic Medical Record system, which when completed will position the hospital as close to a fully electronic hospital as is on the market. This program is equipped with a system that was created by physicians and clinicians for its thoroughness and ease of use. At the same time the hospital is initiating an aggressive and comprehensive physician on demand and telemedicine program. The program is designed to make a multitude of specialty care available immediately to patients and physicians in Shattuck at Newman Memorial Hospital. The initial specialties offered will include cardiology, neurology, dermatology, hospitalist, obstetrics, urology, gastroenterology, psychiatry, oncology, infectious diseases, rheumatology and pediatrics. The program utilizes advanced robotics, specially trained nursing staff and physician specialists licensed in Oklahoma but residing in Chicago, Miami, Connecticut and Oklahoma City. This telemedicine program gives local physicians and patients access to specialists within 30 minutes and provides an alternative to a costly and time consuming drive to a major metropolitan area. The hospital is also planning to re-open its surgery program, initially with general surgery but expanding to other specialties as soon as possible. Plans are also underway at the hospital to re-open urgent care. Also under consideration is the feasibility of re-opening Obstetrics at Newman. The hospital will immediately begin recruiting new primary care physicians to Shattuck.

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