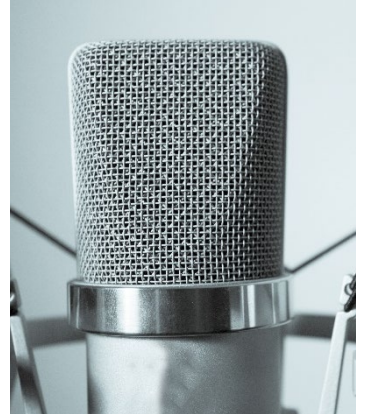


Reception Room

- **Good evening!** The meeting will start shortly.
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Allina Mercy Hospital Public Hearing

Relocation of Intensive Care, Surgical Services, and Closure of Inpatient Pediatric Unit Presentation
March 26, 2024

PROTECTING, MAINTAINING AND IMPROVING THE HEALTH OF ALL MINNESOTANS

Your moderator for today's hearing:



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6:05 p.m. – Introductions

6:10 p.m. – Welcome from MDH Health Regulation Assistant Division Director

6:15 p.m. – Overview

6:20 p.m. – Allina Mercy Hospital presentation

6:50 p.m. – Public comments and questions

7:20 p.m. – Allina Mercy Hospital closing remarks

7:25 p.m. – Conclusion

7:30 p.m. – Public Hearing ends

Introductions



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Public Hearing Overview

- **The Minnesota Department of Health serves as a facilitator** to ensure there is public discussion and engagement for any proposed closure, reduction of services or relocation of services for a hospital or hospital campus as outlined in [Minnesota Statutes Sec. 144.555](#).
- **This statute gives MDH the authority to hold the meeting and to inform the public** but not to change, delay or prevent the proposed changes, closures or relocations.



Allina Mercy Hospital Presentation

Allina Mercy Hospital will provide information on the relocation of intensive care, surgical services and closure of inpatient pediatric unit.

- **An explanation by the hospital's representatives of the reasons for** relocation of intensive care, surgical services and closure of inpatient pediatric unit at Allina Mercy Hospital.
- **A description of the actions that Allina Mercy Hospital will take** to ensure that residents in the hospital's service area have continued access to the health services being modified.

Mercy Hospital Repositioning

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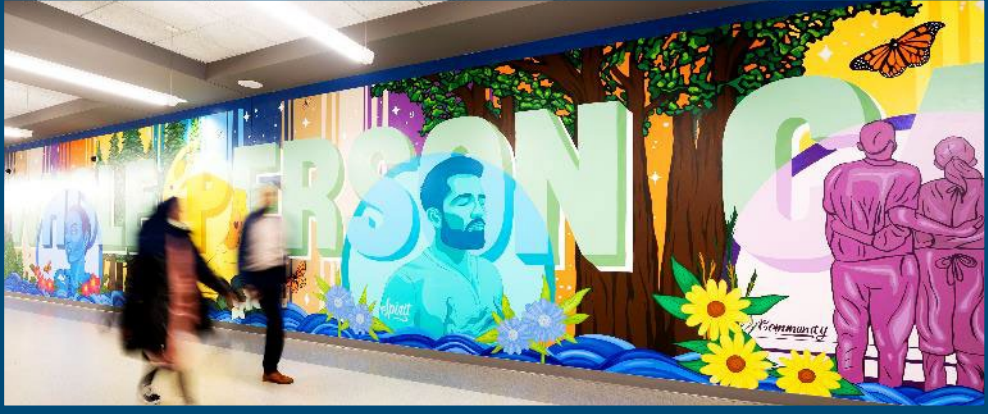
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Allina Health ™

Today's Agenda

- Who we are
- Gratitude
- Why we're repositioning services
- Continued excellence in surgical care
- Intensive care at Mercy Hospital
- Access to pediatric care
- Clarity for Emergency Medical Services
- Commitment to our teams



all
together
better.

Allina Health 

Our Mission

We serve our communities by providing exceptional care, as we prevent illness, restore health and provide comfort to all who entrust us with their care.



Gratitude

Allina Health and Mercy Hospital are proud to serve a critical role for our communities.

Our campuses are full of remarkable caregivers committed to making our communities healthier. We are profoundly grateful for all who make that possible every day.

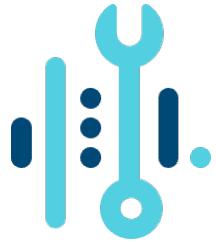


Why we're repositioning these services

We are increasing capacity and ensuring both campuses are efficiently configured to deliver excellent, safe care and alleviate boarding in the Northwest Metro.



Surgical Services repositioning



The ORs at Unity Campus require extensive, costly renovations.



We are increasing access for surgical care in the region at Mercy Campus, our complex care and surgical hub in the region to ensure high-quality care.



We will transition appropriate cases to ambulatory surgery centers, making care more affordable for patients.

Intensive Care repositioning



We will repurpose the space to establish a larger Specialty Care Unit at Unity Campus, creating more access to alleviate ED boarding.

Patients who need ICU-level care will be transferred to Mercy Campus at no cost.

Updated pediatric care model

- We will continue to provide the vast majority of pediatric care that we provide today at Mercy Hospital.
- Pediatric inpatient volumes at Mercy Hospital have decreased.
- The new model mirrors what we do at our other metro hospitals, aligning with community standard.

Area	Planned support
NICU	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minnesota Children's providers will provide on-site support (no change).
Newborn nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary care providers and pediatric hospitalists will round in the nursery (no change).
Emergency Department	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emergency Department providers and staff will be available onsite 24/7 (no change).• Pediatric physicians will be available in person or for phone consults 24/7.
Inpatient	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2 inpatient pediatric beds will become adult beds to alleviate ED boarding.

Emergency Medical Services

These service changes will help us reduce transfers between sites.

If a patient needs to transfer between Mercy Hospital campuses, our Emergency Medical Services will transfer patients at no cost to the patient.



Commitment to our teams

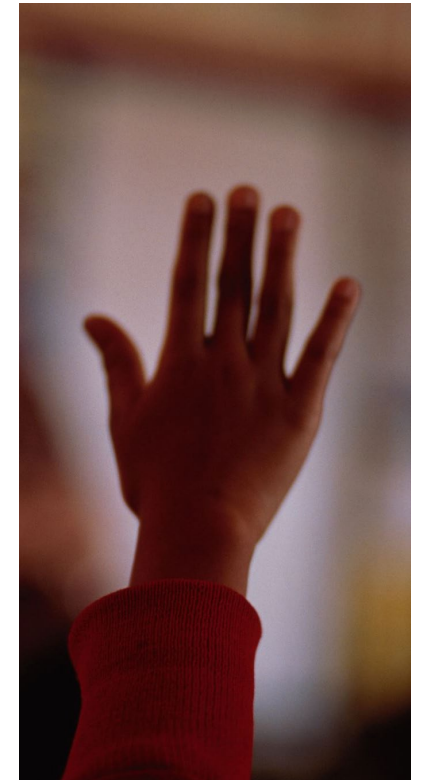
- We are committed to working with staff and their union representatives to connect them with positions that meet their skills and interests.
- We are optimistic that there are positions for nearly everyone.



Thank you



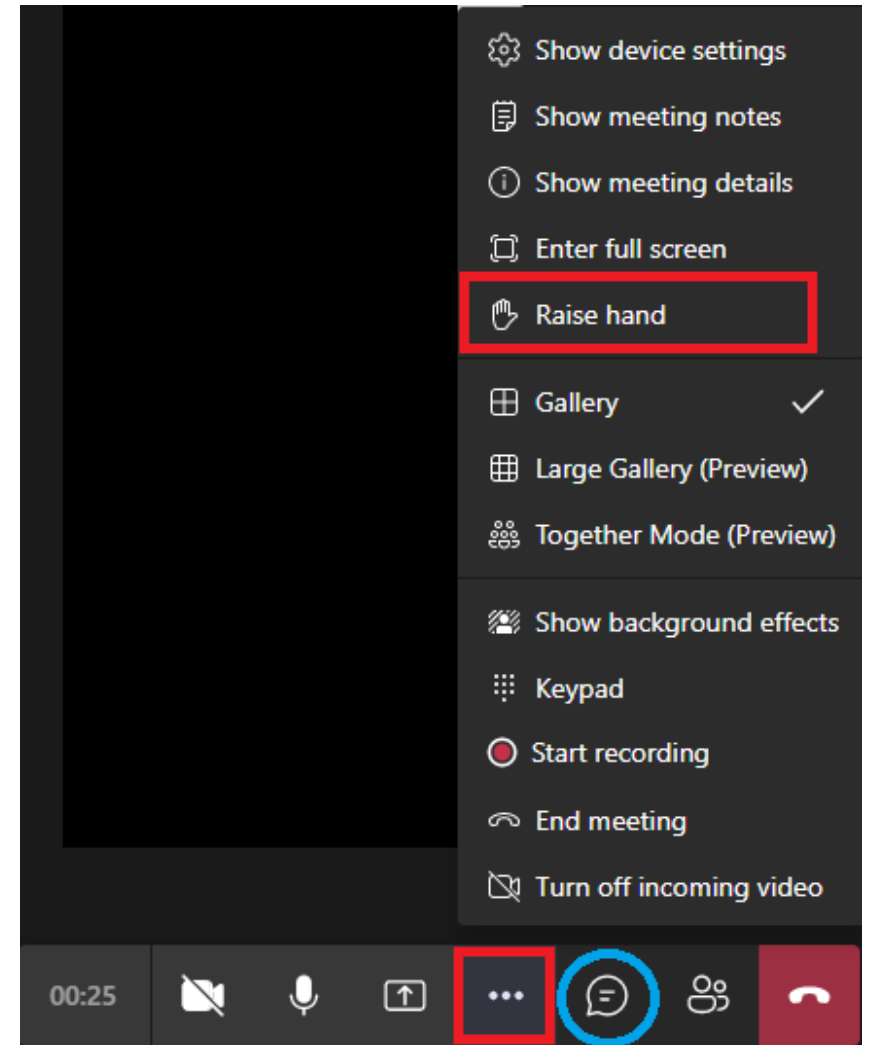
- **We welcome your comments and questions.**
- **Each person will have up to three minutes** to ask a question or provide public comment.
- **Please remember that the information you are sharing is being shared virtually for a public forum.**
- **Allina Mercy Hospital will have up to three minutes to respond** to each of the questions and/or comments.



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Last question with 5 minutes remaining



Allina Mercy Hospital Closing Remarks



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- You may provide comments or feedback on the [hearing website](#).
 - Comments for Allina Mercy Hospital will be accepted until March 27, 2024.
- A transcript of the meeting will be available on the hearing website in 7-10 business days.



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Thank you!

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