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MetroHealth Opens Community Emergency Department in Parma

(Cleveland, OH) - Residents of Parma and the surrounding communities now have access to around-the-clock emergency department services at the new MetroHealth Parma Emergency Department, located at 12301 Snow Road. This new expansion supports MetroHealth's commitment to improve access to care for every resident of Cuyahoga County.

Residents can get emergency care for more severe illnesses than were previously treated at the location, formerly a HealthSpan urgent care facility. The emergency department (ED) will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week and will be run by MetroHealth ED staff with the same high level of education, training and certification as those who provide care at the emergency department on MetroHealth's main campus.

"It has been our pleasure to serve the residents of Parma and the surrounding communities through our partnership with Discount Drug Mart and the recently formed Parma Health Center. Bringing our highly-regarded emergency department services to the area highlights our true commitment to the residents of the southern portion of Cuyahoga County," said Akram Boutros, MD, FACHE, president and CEO of MetroHealth. "It is our goal to provide better access to care, and in keeping with MetroHealth's mission, the new Parma Emergency Department will be open to everyone."

The MetroHealth System opened a community emergency department in Cleveland Heights on February 15, located at 10 Severance Circle. The two new EDs are among 15 non-trauma center locations in Northeast Ohio that work with the Northern Ohio Trauma System (NOTS), a collaboration created to make sure severely ill and injured patients get to the right hospital, in the right manner, in the right amount of time.

By fall 2016, with the opening of the Brecksville Health Center, MetroHealth will have four emergency departments in Cuyahoga County.

About The MetroHealth System

The MetroHealth System is an essential health system committed to providing health care to everyone in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, and improving the health of the community overall. Its 6,800 employees deliver care to everyone at its main campus, just west of downtown Cleveland, and at more than 20 other MetroHealth locations. It also provides health care at more than 20 additional sites in Cuyahoga County through community partnerships such as the School Health program.

MetroHealth is home to Cuyahoga County's only verified Level I Adult Trauma Center and Level II Pediatric Trauma Center, and it is the only adult and pediatric burn center in the state of Ohio verified by the American Burn Association and the Committee on Trauma of the American College of Surgeons. In the past year, MetroHealth provided more than one million patient visits in its hospital and health centers. MetroHealth also is an academic medical center committed to teaching and research; each of its active physicians holds a faculty appointment at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine. MetroHealth has earned Magnet status, which places it in the top six percent of all hospitals nationwide for nursing excellence.

MetroHealth's mission is, "Leading the way to a healthier you and a healthier community through service, teaching, discovery and teamwork." For more information, visit metrohealth.org.