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Our Mission:

FMC delivers outstanding healthcare for our patients, their families and our communities.

Our Vision:

FMC will be recognized as the leader in patient/family-centered care for those we serve both in our facilities and in our communities.

NEWS RELEASE

For Immediate Release

FAIRFIELD MEDICAL CENTER, NATIONWIDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL PARTNER FOR PEDIATRIC CARE

LANCASTER, Ohio (Feb. 27, 2019) – Fairfield Medical Center is excited to announce that it will launch a Pediatric Hospitalist program on July 1 in partnership with Nationwide Children's Hospital (NCH). This partnership will allow FMC to provide more comprehensive care to its youngest patients.

Nationwide Children's Hospital will employ and provide physicians to staff in an in-house and on-call model. FMC's nursing staff, respiratory therapists, pharmacists, hospitalists and many others, will care for the pediatric admissions on FMC's Fourth Floor. Through this model, FMC hopes to decrease the number of pediatric patients and their families who have to travel to Columbus for their care.

"The overall goal of this partnership is to provide the best-possible care for the patients in our community, right here at home," said John R. "Jack" Janoso, Jr., FMC president and CEO. "We want our community to know they will be well-cared for locally by physicians they already know, and in a facility that is close to home."

Dr. Nadeem Khan will serve in the role of NCH Hospitalist Medical Director. The six hospitalists who will serve pediatric patients at FMC have lived and worked in the community for a number of years:

FMC Pediatric Hospitalist Program Physicians:

- Dr. Jean Robertson, Medical Director
- Dr. Jennifer Gibson
- Dr. Sara Welsh
- Dr. Robin Rhodes
- Dr. Kara Tencza
- Dr. Agnes Laus

The hospitalists will be responsible for a well-baby nursery, with attendance at all C-sections; newborn resuscitation; short-stay pediatric observation cases; ED consults and other pediatric support for adult subspecialty services with FMC's general surgeons

FMC has been working on a pediatric coverage model for several years. During that time, the organization gathered feedback from its community pediatricians, community members and hospital staff regarding the addition of this new service.

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