Hartford HealthCare Announces Partner Sites to Address COVID-19 Anticipated Patient Surge

HARTFORD—Hartford HealthCare (HHC) has been diligently working to prepare for the future, creating surge capacity plans in partnership with the City of Hartford and community organizations. The team activated quickly and spent the last several weeks evaluating several facilities and has identified a number of sites for COVID-related activities.

In partnership with Trinity College, through the leadership of College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney and generous support of the Trinity College community, Hartford HealthCare will be entering into a Letter of Intent to lease the hockey arena located at the Koppel Community Sports Center.

"Our community has not wavered in the face of these unprecedented times. I am incredibly grateful to the support of Trinity College and the Waterford Group. It's this spirit of partnership that will help us through dark days," Jeffrey A. Flaks, President and CEO, Hartford HealthCare. "Hartford HealthCare's vision is to be most trusted for personalized, coordinated care--no matter the circumstances."

"We have been partners with Hartford HealthCare for many years and we are proud to stand with them again, working to serve our community," said Joanne Berger-Sweeney, President of Trinity College.

“As we encourage people to stay home and slow the spread of the coronavirus through social distancing, our hospitals are preparing for a big increase in cases, and we have been working with Hartford HealthCare closely and constantly,” said Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin. “We know that
the number of cases will rise, and this unprecedented partnership between Hartford HealthCare, Trinity College and the Waterford Group will dramatically expand the number of beds available, in the event that they are needed. I want to thank everyone involved for working with tremendous speed to make this happen. We’re lucky to have outstanding hospital systems like Hartford HealthCare, and we’re lucky to have tremendous partners."

Over the coming days, Hartford HealthCare will offer more specific details. Discussions are underway with a number of statewide hotel operators with whom Hartford HealthCare will be entering into additional Letters of Intent to best support the many communities we serve.

How to learn more


● For questions, call our COVID-19 hotline at 860.972.8100 or text COVID19 to 31996.

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