

ELLIOT OPENS THE STATE'S ONLY DEDICATED PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT



A ribbon cutting ceremony and open house was held on January 13th to celebrate this new milestone in the delivery of care to New Hampshire's youngest and smallest patients.

PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT FEATURES

- ⊙ 1,559 square feet
- ⊙ Four private examination rooms with comfortable space within each exam room for parents
- ⊙ Nurse station with monitoring equipment for each room
- ⊙ Child specific waiting area
- ⊙ Department is separated from the rest of the public emergency department
- ⊙ Secure access

Elliott Hospital is pleased to announce that on January 16th, the first dedicated Pediatric Emergency Department was opened to the public. This department is staffed by Board Certified Pediatric Emergency Medicine Physicians, backed by a team of trauma doctors and a full nursing staff dedicated to meeting the needs of our youngest patients.

Patients up to 18 years of age are cared for in a warm, friendly environment that caters to the specific needs of children facing trauma or emergency health conditions. The department is accessible through the main Elliot Hospital Emergency Department where cases will be triaged.

Elliot Hospital has been serving the needs of pediatric and adolescent

patients since 1918 when a children's ward was established. Since that time Elliot has served the needs of premature and ill babies in a state-of-the-art Newborn Intensive Care Unit. Elliot emerged as a leader in the care of children and today houses the only in-patient Pediatric-Adolescent Unit in the greater Manchester community with a pediatric surgeon to treat the surgical needs of children.



As we continue to provide the variety of services necessary for infants, toddlers

and adolescents, Elliot determined there is a growing need for specialized emergency care. In fact, Elliot has seen an increase in pediatric emergency cases reaching over 11,000 annually in the last year. This specialized department offers a separate waiting area that takes young patients away from the general public in the emergency



department and brings them into a colorful, less stressful and comforting environment. The

Pediatric Emergency Department is staffed by physicians and nurses who will offer the unique care children need. Finally, the atmosphere provides an appropriate environment that will give parents and their ailing children privacy and a better overall experience. 