

UI Health Hospital & Clinics ROUNDUP

APRIL 2018



NOW OPEN

5NW
POSTPARTUM
ROOMS





UI Health leadership at the 5NW ribbon cutting. From left: David Loffing, Mike Zenn, Dr. Robert Barish, Beena Peters, Shelly Major, Dr. Mary Stephenson, Dr. Terry Vanden Hoek, and Joel Karman.

New Private OB Rooms Unveiled on 5NW

UI Health unveiled 10 new private mother/baby patient rooms at a ribbon-cutting event March 16.

The new rooms, on 5NW, will provide an improved experience following delivery for many of our patients and their families.

The rooms feature pullout sleepers to accommodate family members, in-room sinks, and private bathrooms with walk-in showers. Overall, they provide more space and privacy for new families during their first few days with their newborns.

“This was a change we knew we needed to make — both to provide better delivery and postnatal care, and to ensure that when a mother-to-be takes a prenatal tour of our Labor & Delivery rooms, she’ll choose UI Health,” said Mike Zenn, CEO of the University of Illinois Hospital & Clinics. “I’d like to thank the Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Business Planning & Decision Support for their years of hard work, collaboration, and persistence to implement this amenity.”

Private rooms have long been a request from our patients — an initial capital request for private rooms was made in 2009 — and recent changes to hospital utilization helped accelerate the plan.

In recent years, the use of medical-surgical beds at the hospital have been on the rise, while use of physical rehabilitation beds have declined — likely due to improvements in care delivery to stroke patients and those undergoing orthopaedic procedures. In 2016, we formed an agreement with Schwab Rehabilitation Hospital to accept rehab patients from UI Health, which opened up 5NW. Eighteen rehab beds were converted into medical-surgical beds, and 10 pediatric rooms on the floor were converted into the new OB rooms.

Our 5NW Renovation Implementation team featured members of the OB/GYN team, hospital leadership, healthcare facility operations, and patient care services, among others. The team visited hospitals throughout the Chicago area that also have adopted the type of cutting-edge, family-centered private rooms we’re now proud to offer our patients.

The private OB rooms will open for patient use in mid-April. There also are plans to convert semi-private rooms on the 4th floor to private rooms.

DID YOU KNOW?

NEWS FROM AROUND UI HEALTH



Head & Neck Cancer Screenings

UI Health is hosting free Head & Neck cancer screenings April 11, as part of Oral, Head, and Neck Cancer Awareness Week. Early detection of head and neck cancers is important and can lead to earlier, more effective treatment. Screenings save lives.

Wednesday, April 11

10 am to 2 pm

Ear & Eye Infirmary, Room 3.87 (Third Floor)

Everyone is eligible, pre-registration is not required.

Patients who are screened and are found to have potential pathology will be referred to our clinic for further evaluation.

For questions, please call [312.996.6554](tel:312.996.6554) or visit ENT.UIHealth.Care

 **UI Health**
Cardiology



TAVR Procedure Now Available at UI Health

Interventional Cardiology Program recently began performing transcatheter aortic valve replacement (TAVR) here at UI Health. While not a novel procedure, prior to the introduction here, our patients previously had to be treated at a neighboring institution. We'd like to recognize Cardiology, Surgery, and Anesthesiology, among other services, for their highly collaborative efforts to introduce this treatment to our patient population.

For more information, visit Heart.UIHealth.Care.

APRIL 2-4

MAY 7-9

JUNE 4-6

OPIO Offers Connect & Co-design Course

The Organizational Process Improvement Office (OPIO) will be offering a three-day course, **“Connect & Co-design: Tools for Improving Your Day-to-Day Clinical Practice and Patients’ Experience.”** “Connect & Co-design” is an approach to designing healthcare services that are rooted in the needs and values of both the patients and providers. This course uses a blend of lectures, team exercises, and simulations to provide participants with the knowledge, skills, and tools needed to successfully implement change initiatives and improvement projects.

Upcoming courses are scheduled from 7:45 am to 3:30 pm on the following days:

April 2-4

May 7-9

June 4-6

Enrollment is available through LMS. Physicians and nurses will be awarded continuing education credit commensurate with their participation in the course.

For questions, please contact the OPIO team at opi@uic.edu.



Congratulations to our recent Class Act Award winners. Visit the intranet for the full list of winners and why they were chosen.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DEADLINES

UI Health Earth Day Fair: April 20

Join the UI Health Green Team and outside organizations focused on sustainability at our upcoming Earth Day Fair on **Friday, April 20!**

The event is open to both staff and visitors.

Stop by rooms 1130/1135 between 11:30 am and 2 pm for popcorn and to learn how to apply “green” habits in your daily lives.

Patient Experience Week: April 23-27

Celebrate Patient Experience Week by participating in the “I am the Patient Experience” poster contest. The contest is open to all department, units, and clinics.

For more information on how to participate and to view the schedule of Patient Experience Week events, please visit the [intranet](#).

Nurses' Week: April 30 to May 4

Thank you to all our nurses for your hard work, dedication, and commitment to our patients and UI Health. Celebrate Nurses' Week by thanking a nurse today!

Hospital Week: May 7-11

Celebrate hospital week by joining the Recognition Bulletin Board contest and **stop by room 1135 on 5/9 and 5/10** for treats, games, and more!

For more information, please visit the [intranet](#).

Nurse License Renewal Deadline Approaching

RN licenses expire **May 31**.

If you **do not renew your license**, you will **not be able to work**. Please note, there will be no postcard renewal notices sent via U.S. mail.

For information on how to renew, please visit www.idfpr.com or visit the [intranet](#).