Sparrow opens region’s first FastCare clinic, a new concept in local health care

Sparrow FastCare Frandor opened on Tuesday, June 30, offering the first new treatment option of its kind in the mid-Michigan region.

The new clinic at 716 N. Clippert Street is a more affordable option for basic medical services than a hospital emergency room or urgent care clinic. FastCare offers prompt treatment for common, non-life-threatening conditions such as minor injuries and infections. Services include routine camp and sports physicals. There are no appointments. Care is offered on a first-come/first-served basis.

FastCare is convenient, affordable health care provided by Sparrow Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants. But you don't have to be a Sparrow Patient - just someone who wants exceptional care without the wait. >> Read more and listen to an interview with Patricia Crowe, M.D.

Sparrow captures Patient stories for new campaign

Sparrow is launching a new Marketing campaign, encouraging community members to share their positive experiences at Sparrow.

We believe these Patient stories will capture our radical loving care and highlight Sparrow’s mission to improve the health of the people in the mid-Michigan region by providing quality, compassionate care to everyone, every time.

It started at Common Ground on Thursday, July 9, where Sparrow hosted a free photo booth for all attendees and had a video crew on hand to capture Sparrow stories on video. We've posted the photos on Sparrow’s Twitter feed and Facebook page using #IChoseSparrow. We'll be posting the videos in the very near future. >> Read more
Sparrow to break ground on new Sparrow Health Center Lansing campus
At Sparrow, our commitment to providing the best Patient care means providing facilities that meet the needs of our region.

We invite you to join us in celebration as we break ground on the new Sparrow Health Center Lansing, a campus that will expand access to primary care, provide senior health services, and offer streamlined and comprehensive care. >> Read more

Sparrow offers free Senior Fall Prevention Series
Fall-related injuries are common, especially in our senior population. The risk of falls by a loved one is a constant source of worry for mid-Michigan families. Sparrow is addressing this public health concern by offering a free, six-week Senior Fall Prevention Series as an educational service. >> Read more

Sparrow's Breast Cancer Clinic earns highest-standard accreditation
Patients of Sparrow's Breast Cancer Clinic have another measure of the outstanding quality of care they will receive while undergoing treatment.

The National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers (NAPBC) has granted three-year accreditation to the Breast Cancer Clinic following a rigorous evaluation of the clinic's performance in nearly 30 indicators of quality Patient care. >> Read more

Bring Your Child to Work Day held at Sparrow
Sixty kids aged 10-14 years spent a day at Sparrow as part of the 2015 annual Bring Your Child to Work Day on Thursday, June 25. >> Read more

Walk to Cure Diabetes: Join Team Sparrow at the JDRF Walk
Saturday, Aug. 1
8:30 a.m. registration
Michigan State University

To participate in the walk and join Team Sparrow, please register at jdrf.org, click get involved, register and select East Lansing Walk, Sparrow Team.

Friday, Sept. 11 | 8-4 p.m.
Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center
Saturday, April 25 | 9 a.m. registration, 10 a.m. start time

Kaleidoscope is designed to empower, enrich, and inspire women of our region. This daylong event focuses on women's health and education initiatives, and features unique opportunities to shop, learn and network. The engaging Elliot Engel provides insights on Frank Lloyd Wright, the great American architect. Hear from Antonio Dajer, M.D., whose actions in response to the events of Sept. 11, 2001, are a testament to the everyday heroes among us and the resiliency of the American spirit.

Tickets are $90 per person.
For details and for registration, visit SparrowFoundation.org/Kaleidoscope or call 517.364.3620.

Registration fee: $25 before July 18, $30 before Aug. 1 and $35 on race day
For more information or to register, visit mintcityraces.com.
Sparrow Clinton Hospital earns recognition as Top 100 and Top 20 critical access hospital

Sparrow Clinton Hospital in St. Johns recently earned recognition from the National Rural Health Association in two categories - as a Top 100 critical access hospital and as a Top 20 Best Practice hospital. **>> Read more**

Sparrow Caregivers to be recognized during Sparrow Day at the Ballpark

Each year Sparrow Caregivers are invited to a day of fun at the ballpark during which Caregivers, Physicians, and Volunteers are recognized as Sparrow Super Heroes. **>> Read more**

2015 Sparrow Health Classic held at Eagle Eye

Held on Wednesday, June 17 at the beautiful Eagle Eye and Hawk Hollow Golf Courses, this year's Sparrow Health Classic (SHC) exceeded expectations in raising funds to benefit the Area of Greatest Need at Sparrow. **>> Read more**

Sparrow Caregivers recognized for decades of quality, compassionate care

Sparrow Caregivers with 20 years or more of service were honored during the annual Sparrow Service Awards Banquet on Tuesday, June 9.

This year's ceremony was held at the Breslin Center on the campus of Michigan State University. Sparty was on hand to take pictures with attendees. **>> Read more**

Spartan Marching Band for Kids Concert

Sunday, Sept. 20 | 3-6 p.m.  
(gates open at 2 p.m.)  
Tim and Cathy Staudt's home, Okemos

An intimate backyard concert to benefit the Sparrow Children's Center and the MSU Marching Band. Tickets are $75 per person, $800 for a reserved table of eight. Purchase tickets online at SparrowFoundation.org/SpartanBandConcert. For more information, call 517.364.3620.

People News

Caregiver Spotlight

Williamston Outpatient Rehab Caregiver "Pays-it-Forward," earns Caregiver Spotlight honor

Sara Gordon greets every Patient with a wonderful smile and demonstrates true caring for them throughout their course of care ... and beyond.

**>> Click here to read Sara's story.**
Sparrow Carson Hospital features new approach to hip replacement

Sparrow Carson Hospital Orthopedic Surgeon Adam Cote, D.O., now provides Patients with an alternative to traditional hip replacement surgery, featuring a smaller incision and quicker recovery time.

Dr. Cote is among the few Physicians in Michigan - and the only one in the Carson City service area - performing direct anterior approach hip replacement. >> Read more

Future Nurses Club of Lansing visits Sparrow

Sparrow welcomed nearly a dozen high school students from the Future Nurses Club of Lansing on Tuesday, July 14. The club is a community initiative sponsored by the MSU College of Nursing for Lansing School District high school students. >> Read more

Sparrow announces latest Population Health update

Sparrow recently announced plans for the Population Health Services Organization, a new service model designed to help Physicians manage the care and well-being of entire populations while care is coordinated across the health care system. >> Read more

Sparrow rolls out new Code of Conduct and Compliance Program

Sparrow has a long-standing tradition of performance excellence, which is personified in the honest and ethical conduct of Sparrow’s Board Members, Physicians, Nurses, Caregivers and Volunteers. >> Read more

Sparrow Clinton Chief of Staff named to health care quality board

Sparrow Clinton Hospital Chief of Staff Christopher Beal, D.O., FACOI, was recently named to the board of directors of MPRO, a national leader in health care quality improvement and medical review.

In addition to his position at Sparrow Clinton Hospital, Dr. Beal is president and CEO of St. Johns Internal Medicine, P.C.; medical director at Hospice Advantage; and a clinical assistant professor in the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Michigan State University.

Click here to read Dr. Beal's story.

Michael Rich joins the SMG leadership team as new Director of Regional Practices

Michael Rich has been added to the Sparrow Medical Group leadership team as the new Director of Regional Practices. Michael has most recently been responsible for physician alignment and business development at Sparrow Carson City Hospital and brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in the areas of strategic planning, provider alignment, clinic and hospital operations as well as healthcare finance. He will serve a key role in the expansion of SMG’s regional presence and continued integration of our regional practices.
Sparrow sponsors 2015 Lansing Juneteenth Celebration

Sparrow Health System was a proud sponsor of Lansing’s 22nd Annual Juneteenth Celebration which ran from June 18-20, 2015. The celebration commemorates the end of slavery in the United States and is the oldest African American Holiday, having started in 1865. >> Read more

Sparrow Clinton Hospital Auxiliary selects leaders for upcoming year

Members of the Sparrow Clinton Hospital Auxiliary held their annual installation meeting on May 20, naming officers and leaders for the coming year. >> Read more

Sparrow Medical Group welcomes SMG Saranac

Sparrow Medical Group (SMG) is pleased to announce Edmondson, Rouse and Schmid Family Medicine in Saranac became part of the Sparrow family, effective July 1, 2015. >> Read more

Sparrow Clinton Hospital earns Four-Star rating

Sparrow Clinton Hospital recently received a Four-Star rating from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) in Patient Experience. The honor is based on outcomes of its Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems Survey (HCAHPS). >> Read more

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