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AREA'S SECOND BUSIEST EMERGENCY ROOM MAXIMIZES EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE

Through a cooperative endeavor between state and local government and commerce, Greater Southeast Community Hospital has acquired a communications console. This console will maximize emergency medical care rendered to Prince George's County residents and visitors who, traumatically injured and critically ill, will be transported to the GSCH emergency room by P.G. County Medic units.

The console allows GSCH emergency room staff to be in constant direct communication with paramedics and physicians in P.G. County during Medic unit transports. Staff can be kept continually informed of patient treatment and response prior to the arrival of the unit at the hospital.

GSCH is the first hospital in the tristate area to have been granted access to the emergency medical services communications network in P.G. County and Southern Maryland. This network is overseen by the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems (MIEMSS).

The need for this service was recognized because GSCH receives approximately fifteen percent of all transports by P.G. County emergency medical units annually. GSCH is located on the border between P.G. County and the District.

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