Provident Offers Best Health Care

The medical staff of Provident Hospital realizing an important role in the running of the new facility. The following briefly summarizes the activities of the various departments and

Department Radiology, besides handling very large clinical inpatient and outpatient load involving x-ray studies, is also now engaged in special diagnostic procedures including angiography.

In conjunction with the Division of Cardiology, it is beginning to engage in cardiac catheterizations and implantations. Within two months, the Division of Nuclear Medicine will be added.

Department Anesthesiology serves five operating rooms and special rooms for genitourinary and orthopedic surgery. The department now has an Inhalation Therapy Division.

The Department of Medicine, besides having a large inpatient and outpatient load of general medical problems has extended two major

The Division of Cardiology runs an Intensive Coronary Care Unit of 11 beds. It also active cardiac diagnostic laboratory.

Departmentalso recently has its Pulmonary Division with consultative support from the University Maryland School

Alcoholic Detoxification Unit is in this

Department Surgery, presently using four operating rooms, plans to place seven in use as of July, 1971. Special rooms for the patients are also in use.

Brain surgery will also be done in the very near future. The Department of Dentistry continues to have a very broad program on the inpatient and outpatient levels. This department is under heavy demand around the country by prospective interns for training which has become a full fledged affiliation of the University of

Department Pediatrics has probably been the fastest growing department in terms of patient census. It employs the latest concepts in the care of the infant, child and adolescent.

The house staff physicians are regular residents on the staff at the University of Maryland, Medicine, Department Pediatrics.

The Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology has found that its major problem enough beds. An adequate number of

delivery and operating rooms are for the first time

available for the highly qualified attending physicians in this departdepartment which also

directs a drug abuse program

in cooperation with the

This project has 800

The Ambulatory Depart-

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services are considered the

major part of the Ambulatory

Department but the concept

In this department an at-

tempt is made to take care of

the needs of the patient in

such a way as to least in-

terfere with his daily routine.

services in the fields of ear.

Provision is made for private

patients for limited treatment

The Family Practice

and

including minor surgery.

This department now offers

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Project ADAPT.

treatment

The Department Pathology is among th hospital as far as space an equipment are concerned The most important innovation in this department is its ability to run a battery of screening blood tests with results being available within

The department has added modern blood banking system with a full time director heading the blood

The Department Psychiatry has expanded i program to handle more psychiatric patients on an inpatient basis. The staff complete with a number qualified psychiatrists available 24 hours a day for emergencies.

A federal grant for mental health has been awarded this

Nursing School expands

> The student nurses and faculty of the Helene Fuld School of Nursing are ennew

The nurses' accommodates 80 students. Each student has an individual room and shares a bathroom with another student. The living facilities provide a hotel atmosphere with individual control for heating and cooling systems.

The spacious and well furnished student lobby includes the information and mail center.

an individual office. In adlounge and a faculty conference room.

One classroom has been dedicated to Gordon Philips, president of the Helene Fuld Health Foundation. This room is called the auto-tutorial laboratory, which contains the Link Student Responder System.

This system allows the instructor to teach and monitor large groups o students while retaining the important individual teacherstudent relationship.

It is also possible for the instructor to use remote control-visual materials such as videotape, motion picture film, filmstrips and slides.

The same system spreads into the Health Sciences Library with eight study designed teaching learning process through self-

Through the closed circuit TV system, the director of the school and the assistant administrator of nursing service and school of nursing can audit any class activity within their own offices, thereby providing an improved method of evaluating the teaching-learning process and offering guidance and

In 1894, while still in the Orchard Street building, the School of Nursing was founded by a group of black physicians, including Dr. William T. Carr Jr. In 1895, Hospital was Provident Miss Lena V founded. graduate Hospital Freedmen's Nursing, Washington, D.C., was appointed director of the school. Thus, Provident Hospital Training School of Nursing became the eighth -School of Nurses in the State of Maryland.



MAKING ADJUSTMENTS - Mrs. Lois Bethea, chief physical therapist at Provident Hospital, adjusts a piece of physical therapy equipment for Dr. Webster Sewell.

'Care triangle'

The Provident Hospital Complex with its "triangle of care" is joining the many forces that are now reaching out to pull the alcoholic back into the mainstream of life.

This "triangle of care" consists of an Acute Alcoholic Detoxification Unit for emergency and hospital treatment, a Quarterway House where alcoholics may recuperate for a short period before re-entering their environment, and Project REHAB, an out-patient counseling, and therapy service. Services which administers the three programs.

Mrs. Gertrude Green is an alcoholism counselor, in the Detoxification Unit. Detoxification Unit patients may be admitted on an emergency basis or enter voluntarily to one of five beds within the hospital assigned expressly for detoxification the hospital assigned expressly for detoxification purposes.

Counseling is provided and some patients become aware of their difficulties and indicate a desire to continue treatment. They are then assigned an internist, physician, nurse, psychiatrist, and-or alcoholism counselor, depending upon the

At present, there is no cure for compulsive drinking except for the individual to firmly decide that he will stop. The purpose of Provident Quarterway House is to aid individuals in coming to that decision.

To do this, indigent men undergo a two-week, recuperationcounseling period at the Quarterway House, located at 1611 Baker St. Quarterway House is under the direction of Mrs. Ruth

Completing the "triangle of care" is Project REHAB, conducted by Miss Shirley Cooke, at 821 W. Lanvale St. Here, alcoholic patients receive out-patient counseling and recreation

Project REHAB also offers a program of alcohol education, open to the entire community, utilizing films, speakers, open discussions, and field trips.

Breaking the poverty cycle

Perhaps the greatest obstacle to breaking the cycle of poverty is freeing the minds of those who are to be helped and of those who must lend the helping hand.

For it is often as difficult L open a man's mind to the fact that he can help and to encourage him to do it, as it is to open the minds of the poor t the belief that help available to them.

From its base of operations at 907 Edmondson Provident Comprehensive Neighborhood Health Center has accepted the charge to

open minds on both counts. P.C.N.H.C. is an Office of Opportunity funded program (through the Community Action Agency that seeks to deliver health Written into the Center's philosophy is the concept c training community resident for jobs in the allied medica

committed to do more. The training department is attempting to develop and expand its curriculum based maximizing wellness, and upward mobility for community residents.

One aim of the redesigned curriculum is to allow for maximum use of the Community Health Aide.

The most important function of the Community Health Aide has been and will continue to be a liaison between the center and the community and between the patient and the professional.

Should the new curriculum become a reality, the Community Health Aide will continue to refer medical and social problems to the Health Center, but, in addition, she will provide counseling and referral in such areas as sanitation and

Under the new curriculum, opportunities for personal advancement unlimited for the CHA. The Center Training Department hopes to coordinate its new curriculum with other Neighborhood Health Centers and local community colleges to assure CHA educational courses and training.

This redesigned curriculum will also fit into the Team Concept of health care at P.C.N.H.C. As a member of a team including nurses, doctors, and social service workers, the CHA will provide liaison services as well as services vital to breaking the cycle of poverty outside the realm of medical care. Officials hope to implement the curriculum by the time our new Health Center building opens in late

Free health center

Do you live in the area bounded by Fremont and Lafayette on the north, Carey St. on the west; Mulberry St. on the South and Howard St. on the East?

The Center is an Office of Economic Opportunit financed anti-poverty program rendering health care to low-income families in certain areas of west and northwest Baltimore. Operation of the Center is the responsibility of Provident Hospital.

The area presently served lies roughly between the streets listed. The eventual service area, operating from a larger permanent facility at Division and Mosher Sts., will embrace 19 adjacent census tracts.

The center seeks to attack the roots of deprivation through preventative and curative medical and dental care, social and educational services, training of neighborhood residents for paramedical occupations,

wide variety of related ser-

Resident participation in planning and guiding the Center is assured by a Neighborhood Advisory Council including elected representatives from the area, representatives from the Community Action Baltimore City Department and

The Health Center's service program is family centered. Each family's care is guided on a continuous basis by an assigned Team of physician, dentist, nurse, social services worker, and community health aide. Specialty services are added to the care plan as needed.

All services are free, with eligibility determined on the residence and declared income. qualifying families are urged to avail themselves of the wide range of services.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Provident Hospital complex, Henry J. Whyte, is flanked by Charles G. Tildon (L) associate director.

and Woodrow Walston, associate director.

35th anniversary in 1970, and crossed the \$50 billion mark in payment of regular benefits to unemployed workers. I also paid over \$10 million i Unemployment in the first full

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year of operation of this new program.