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St. Clare's Hospital

Increased Use of Facilities Cited—

St. Clare's Expanding Emergency U

Use of the Emergency Department at St. Clare's Hospital has increased so substantially by the public that a \$46,000 temporary expansion is now going on, Magr. Howard F. Manny, president of the Board of Trustees, announced yesterday.

"In 1979," he said, "approximately 20,310 patients were serviced in the ambulatory patient care area. As of October of this year, there have been 20,800 emergency Department visits. It is anticipated that by the end of this year, a total of 20,900 patients will have been serviced during the 12-month period, an increase of approximately 2,900."

The contract for the expansion is temporary until the new ambulatory patient care center is constructed sometime in 1974. The demand for services is startlingly evident when it is realized that since 1958, Emergency Department visitations have increased on an average

of 100 percent. The major thrust of patient care in the 1970s and 1980s will be in the area of ambulatory patient care and diagnostic services. Increasing numbers of residents from not only Schenectady County, but the counties of Albany, Saratoga, Schoharie, Fulton, Montgomery, Rensselaer, Washington and Warren, are utilizing the services.

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New program for patients at St. Clare's Hospital is explained to Joseph DeCarlo by Mrs. Ann Cirincione, left, director of discharge planning, and Mrs. Mary Lahut, a public health nurse of the Visiting Nurse Service.

Post-hospital care unit launched at St. Clare's

St. Clare's Hospital has instituted a follow-through care program for patients after they have been discharged. Hospital officials call the program an "innovation" in hospital care in the Schenectady area.

What the hospital has done is add a Visiting Nurse Service to its in-hospital

personnel. The committee meets weekly to discuss and evaluate the needs of patients during their hospital stay and after their discharge.

Mrs. Mary Lahut, a public health nurse, has been appointed to the committee as the visiting professional nurse. Mrs. Lahut joins workers from physio-therapy, dietary, social service, discharge planning and nursing service on the

committee, the hospital's director of discharge planning since 1969, is coordinating program.

Hospital officials say the Visiting Nurse Service will be of particular value when dealing with senior citizens who live alone after they are discharged from the hospital. The visiting nurse will make periodic reports to the hospital staff on the patient's condition at home.

A PERSONAL MESSAGE TO YOU FROM ST. CLARE'S The Nursing Nurse Has Returned!



There's a new total patient care concept at St. Clare's Hospital. And it has a direct, positive and beneficial bearing on your welfare at this fine institution, which now, because of continued interest by the Schenectady area community, is becoming one of the finest hospitals in the nation.

The patient is now being given closer, more personalized bedside care, all because of the design of our expansion and modernization program.

The nursing nurse has returned! In recent years the nurse unfortunately continued to be removed from direct, bedside contact with the patient. This is, and must continue to be the case with almost all of today's hospitals because of the very nature of normal hospital architecture.

Such, however, is NOT the case at St. Clare's, because when this institution is completely expanded and modernized, its operation will be totally different.

It is becoming and will become the hospital of the nursing nurse!

St. Clare's feels there must be a close relationship between patient and nurse. In the past, there was the tradi-

St. Clare's Hospital Plans \$11 Million Expansion Program

around the diocese



St. Clare's begins triage

St. Clare's Hospital, Schenectady, has inaugurated a new system in its emergency room, which handles more than 40,000 patients annually. Called triage, the system permits staff to divide cases into three categories: life-threatening, calling for immediate treatment; urgent, with delays shortened and exams

St. Clare's family practice program 1st in NE NY

The first Family Practice Residency Program in Northeastern New York State was announced jointly April 24 by The Rt. Rev. Magr. Howard F. Manny, president of the Board of Trustees of St. Clare's Hospital, and Rep. Samuel S. Stratton, at the annual

physician faculty at St. Clare's. It also included a site inspection by a physician-educator representing the American Medical Association. These findings were incorporated into a 40 page document accounting for the training, performance, evaluation, and su-

pplementation of St. Clare's Hospital as it is reflected by the accreditation of this residency program," said Dr. Nadler, "moreover, the real significance of this effort reflects the dedication, commitment and support of the people of Schenectady, their physicians, and the St. Clare's Board of Trustees, all of whom laid the groundwork and facilitated my efforts."

ates will practice in a radius of less than 100 miles from Schenectady. "Given the attrition of family physicians in the area, this contribution of health manpower will become increasingly important," said Dr. Alexander Arony, chief of staff.

is since it will allow non-conforming structures to have completed construction of a temporary emergency room. At the time of the board, said Monsignor Howard F. Manny, president of the Board of Trustees, the program will be temporary until a new emergency room is built.

Hospital using interpreters

Care comes in many languages

St. Clare's Hospital, Schenectady, has begun a program to facilitate care of non-English-speaking persons in the community. Through the National Resident Matching Program, this is a computer

A list has been compiled by the hospital's Pastoral Care Department to assist physicians treating mute

foreign languages. The list is consulted whenever a patient who does not speak English is brought into the hospital. Interpreters are available immediately, officials say.

The list also contains the names of persons skilled in lip reading and sign language to assist physicians treating mute patients or those who are hearing impaired.

