



Code 3 Emergency Room & Urgent Care Temporarily Closes Rockport, TX Location Due to Impact of COVID-19

April 2, 2020 – Rockport, TX – Code 3 Emergency Partners of Rockport made the difficult decision to temporarily suspend services due to Covid-19. The decision was due to a number of factors including but not limited to the safety of the staff and their families, safety of patients and their families, a drop-off in census due to “shelter in place”, “social distancing” instructions which Code 3 agrees with and ultimately the financial stress placed on the facility.

Another concern was that over 50% of Code’s patients in Rockport are effectively insured by programs that the facility cannot be reimbursed for including Medicare, Medicaid, Tri-care and others. The local community and county have been very generous this past year sustaining the facility and these patients but Covid-19 has exacerbated the dynamic as it was long understood the facility was on un-even financial footing for well over a year.

Another consideration was the serious shortage of personal protection equipment for the medical community and the lack of testing capabilities available. Not having definitive confidence as to how long supplies will last and when and if affordable and timely testing would be available influenced the decision.

Code 3 will be closely monitoring the situation so changes may occur, and this timeline could change at any time.

Code 3 is thankful for the loyalty and dedication their staff has shown during this difficult time and will be working with them on opportunities for government support. The desire is to reopen these facilities as soon as there is adequate protection for the staff and patients and emergency funding from recently approved legislation or with an interested local health system group as a new owner.

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