Emergency Medical Service

Atlanta’s Alternative Care Facility (ACF)
Providing inpatient care for COVID-19 Patients

On Saturday, April 18, 2020, the Alternate Care Facility (ACF), located at the Georgia World Congress Center, will be fully operational as a 200 bed hospital to provide care for low-acuity, stable COVID-19 patients.

This facility is a collaborative effort between the Governor’s Office, the Georgia National Guard, Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Department of Community Health, and the Department of Public Health. The ACF will leverage existing support through Grady Memorial Hospital.

The facility is located at the Georgia World Congress Center, Building A- Exhibit Hall A-3.

- The ACF will only be accepting patients via inter-facility transfer.
- 911 Ambulance patients are not eligible for direct transport to the Alternate Care Facility.
- The ACF will care for low acuity, stable COVID-19 patients in an inpatient setting.
- If a patient requires medical intervention beyond the scope of the ACF, 911 will be utilized to transport to an appropriate Emergency Department. Therefore, there may be occasions when 911 units respond to the Alternative Care Facility to transport patients.

Primary Entrance - Turn by Turn Directions:

Best access is Marietta St NW and Baker St. NW

Take Baker toward GWCC, then a quick left on Everhart St; do not cross the Railroad Tracks
Follow Everhart to Foundry. Be prepared to make a hard U-turn around the Guard shack.
Make the U-turn around the Guard shack, check-in with the GWCC police officer posted in a patrol cruiser then proceed slowly through the loading dock.

When you exit the underground loading dock, the A3B roll-up door will be on your left. Please pull forward to park in the fire lane on the left side of the road. For discharged patient pick up, please continue straight to the marshalling yard, 200 ft. Check-in with the GWCC officer, they will let you in.

Proper PPE is required, NO EXCEPTIONS!

Access to the ACF:

*The A3B roll-up door, Intake area.
  For delivering admitted patients to the ACF
  For picking up patients going out for procedures or imaging
  For patients being transferred out to an ER via 911 ambulance
*BioHazard receptacles for used PPE, materials, etc. will be located here.

*The A3D roll-up door, discharge area. It is accessed through the Marshalling Yard.
  For pickup of a discharged patient from the ACF
Map of GWCC Access to Alternative Care Facility
If the primary entrance is blocked by a train, please use this secondary route.

Secondary Entrance - Turn by Turn Directions:

1) Going south on North Side Drive take a left onto MLK Jr, Dr.
2) From MLK merge right onto Mitchell St.
3) Follow Mitchell St. to first red light and take a left on Mangum St.
4) Follow Mangum St. just past the Red Decking Parking and make a right.
5) Go to the next intersection and make a left immediately prior to the STOP sign. There is a GWCC patrol cruiser stationed here.
6) Check-in with the GWCC police officer posted in the patrol cruiser then proceed slowly through the loading dock.
7) When you exit the underground loading dock, the A3B roll-up door will be on your left. Please pull forward to park in the fire lane on the left side of the road.

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