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Update: Water Contamination Incident at TCRHCC

Update – 5:30 PM DST

On Tuesday, April 21, Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation (TCRHCC) investigated an issue involving the water lines in the Main Hospital building and later confirmed an isolated contamination in the building's water supply. As a safety measure, water service in the Main Hospital was shut off.

TCRHCC identified a section of piping connected to the hospital's water supply that was contaminated due to a backflow issue. The substance found was propylene glycol chemical used in food processing, agriculture, and heating and cooling systems. This specific line has been shut off and isolated from the rest of the water system to prevent any possible exposure.

The water service remains out of use for all purposes until further notice. Water samples are being collected and will be sent to a certified laboratory for testing. To ensure the continued safety of patients, staff, and visitors, TCRHCC will continue to monitor the water for safe consumption.

Here is an update list of services and clinics for Tuesday, April 22, 2025.

Services and Clinics CLOSED in the Main Hospital Building:

- Audiology Clinic
- Cafeteria
- Cardiopulmonary Clinic
- Dental Clinic
- Ears, Nose, and Throat (ENT) Clinic
- Inpatient Services
- Operating Room/Surgeries
- Respiratory Clinic

Limited Services and Emergency Cases only:

- Eye Clinic

Services and Clinics Temporary RELOCATED to the Outpatient Primary Care Center:

- Fracture Clinic – 1st Floor
- Laboratory Services – 2nd and 3rd Floor
- Orthopedic & Podiatry (SOUP Clinic) – 3rd Floor
- Public Health Clinic – 1st Floor

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Important Information for Patients and Visitors:

- The Emergency Department remains open.
- All bathrooms and drinking fountains in the Main Hospital Building are currently closed. However, alternative restrooms and drinking water are available in the three-story Outpatient Primary Care Center (OPCC).
- Patients with scheduled appointments in the affected clinics will be contacted directly by clinic staff to reschedule appointments.
- The inpatient department is working closely with local healthcare facilities to transfer patients as necessary, ensuring continuity of care and patient safety.
- The water contamination is an isolated incident only affecting the TCRHCC Main Hospital building.

For the latest information, we will share updates as they become available. If there are any important changes, we will post on TCHEALTH.ORG and social media sites.

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