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Subject: Miami Valley Hospital Canopy

Miami Valley Hospital Emergency Department has been challenged for a few weeks with boarding patients admitted to the hospital. This has had impact on being able to manage patients coming to the ED for medical care. We have created an alternate care space to try and alleviate/minimize this difficulty.

A temporary structure has been built outside of the entrance to triage, this space is known as the *Canopy*. The space will be able to hold at a minimum 12 patients and house those that do not need significant medical treatment. This space will begin operation on 1/11/22 and will operate up to 8 weeks at this time. The hours will be 11a to 9p Monday through Friday at this time.

EMS will continue to arrive to the ED as normal. The goal is always to direct EMS to a bed within the department. On occasion, we have had to send EMS to triage. EMS may continue to be sent to triage with patients so that we may start their care if needed.

The *Canopy* will not change EMS operations. Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions.

Miami Valley Hospital ED Leadership