Our Commitment to Patient- and Family Centered Care

The staff at St. Mary’s continue to focus on building strong family partnerships and improving communication. We want to ensure that residents and families are at the center of every resident care decision made.

Friendly Reminder

What is infection Prevention?
How we prevent the spread of germs and infections from person to person.

What is the best way to prevent the spread?
We prevent the spread through Hand Washing or through Hand Hygiene with an alcohol hand rub.
Please use the wipes in the blue canister to wash the hands of your child, or the child you are visiting, as often as possible.
Please remind the staff to wash their hands prior to working with your child.

St. Mary’s Welcomes…

Joanne Campbell as our Front Desk Receptionist. Joanne has been in the health care administration field for the past 38 years. Most recently Joanne worked at Nassau University Medical Center. She is excited to be a part of the St. Mary’s team.
Joanne may be reached at (718) 281-8800.

Contact Us...

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St. Mary’s wishes you and your family a joyful, prosperous, and happiest new year ahead!

Happy New Year 2020!
Where big hearts help little patients

Here’s What’s Happening at stmary’skids

February

8  The Inkwell Foundation, 1 pm – 2 pm
15  Melissa Coppola Group, 1 pm - 3 pm
20  February Monthly Birthday Party, 3 pm - 4:30 pm

March

7  Zeta Phi Beta Visits, 1 pm –2 pm
8  MLT Foundation, 1 pm
14  C3 NYC Church Youth Group, 10 am -12 pm
15-19  Creative Arts Therapy Week
28  March Monthly Birthday Party, 3 pm – 4:30 pm
28  Zeta Phi Beta Visits, 1 pm - 3 pm

April

4  Zeta Phi Beta Visits, 1 pm –2 pm
11  Melissa Coppola Group, 1 pm
16  April Monthly Birthday Party, 3 pm – 4:30 pm

Big Hearts Walk for St. Mary’s Kids
Crocheron Park, Bayside 9 am
St. Mary’s Sibling Support Group
(siblings ages 5-17) 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

EVERY MONDAY
Farm to Table Cooking Group
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm, 4th floor Great Room
Spiritual CPR, Contemplation, Prayer, Reflection
11:30 am—12:30 pm, Meditation Room

EVERY SUNDAY
Catholic Service, 12:45 pm, St. Mary’s Chapel

For more information about the groups on the summer calendar, please visit their organization’s websites.

It’s Flu Season 2020

We strongly encourage all families to be vaccinated with the Influenza (Flu) Vaccine. St. Mary’s will be offering the flu vaccine at no cost to all parents/guardians of our residents in the Employee Health Office (Building B, Room 324) NO appointment necessary

Hours of operation
Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
or
Tuesday and Thursday
11 a.m.—7:00 p.m.

Aquatic Therapy

The aquatic therapy program at St. Mary’s Healthcare System for Children uses the relieving, low-impact environment of water to help young patients achieve their health and rehabilitation goals. Pediatric aquatic therapy has proven to benefit children with musculoskeletal and neurological conditions as well as those recovering from major surgeries or traumatic injuries.

If you would like for your child to utilize the service post discharge, please contact Sonali Loboda, Project Coordinator at 718-281-8867.

St. Mary’s Hospital for Children now offers Parent Education Program

This Parent Education Program was designed to teach you the details of your child’s care. Here at St. Mary’s Hospital, we value the special relationship that exists between a child and the child’s caregiver. One module will be completed weekly with the understanding that the workshop training will be completed over the course of four weeks. A key piece of the child’s journey revolves around you learning your child’s specific needs. We welcome you and look forward to partnering with you during your child’s stay.

Monthly Siblings Group – on hold
In lieu of our visitation precautions and visitors under the age of 12 are being restricted, Siblings group is on hold during the height of flu season.

St. Mary’s Hospital for Children’s “Big Hearts Snack Cart”

St. Mary’s wants you to know that we are excited about the launch of Big Hearts Snack Cart. It is a hospitality cart that contains small snack items for both our patients and their families. The cart will be stationed on the first floor lobby area. It will be available on Wednesdays (2-4pm) and Saturdays (10-11:30am).

St. Mary’s would like to thank Tia’s Hope foundation’s generous donation for us to have this cart made and also Jason Haas, the owner of Gadget Audio and Visual Solutions for building it for the families and patients at St. Mary’s.