

Non-traditional Patient Care Sites May Help Treat Sick During Pandemic Flu Outbreak

Why needed

- ✓ Hospitals and clinics may not be able to treat everyone who gets sick
- ✓ Separate health care facilities can help stop the spread of the flu

What they are

- ✓ Non-traditional sites not normally associated with medical treatment
- ✓ Staffed by medical professionals and volunteers



Neighborhood Emergency Help Center (NEHC)

- ✓ May provide basic medical evaluation and limited treatment for injured or ill or those who may have the flu
- ✓ May provide limited community outreach, education and self-help information
- ✓ Will direct patients elsewhere for further care

Alternate/Acute Care Center (ACC)

- ✓ Located at large community facility
- ✓ May have separate ones for flu and non-flu patients
- ✓ May treat patients needing inpatient care like antibiotic therapy, hydration, and pain management
- ✓ Patients needing intensive care will be directed elsewhere

When to Use

- ✓ Local officials will announce when to begin using and identify their locations
- ✓ Pandemic Flu Facts signs will identify and direct people to the correct facility

For more specific (*insert county here*) flu information, visit

www.nwopandemicflu.org

