

ADDENDUM TO CLOSURE PLAN	
Facility/Provider	Mount Sinai Beth Israel
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Date	November 17, 2023

Notifications (attach documentation, if applicable)

Date(s) of public meetings	<p>A public meeting has been scheduled as follows:</p> <p>Date: Tuesday, November 28, 2023 Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Location: Baruch College 55 Lexington Avenue at East 25th Street Engleman Hall New York, New York 10010</p> <p>A flyer with the details of the public meeting is attached and will be sent electronically to elected officials, community boards and other organizations to promote the meeting. In addition, information on the public meeting will be posted on the Mount Sinai Beth Israel website and ads will be placed in local publications such as Our Town Downtown and the Village Sun.</p>
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Since the announced planned closure of Mount Sinai Beth Israel (MSBI) and the submittal of the closure plan to the Department on October 25, 2023, MSBI Senior leadership has undertaken a review of all inpatient and outpatient service offerings at the 16th Street Campus to plan for adjustments that may need to be made during the winddown of operations to facilitate a smooth closure and to ensure patient safety throughout the process. In fact, MSBI is already experiencing decreased patient utilization and has received a number of staff resignations as result of the planned closure that, coupled together, will impact on the delivery of services as MSBI moves toward full closure. Initially, MSBI has a list of clinical services/areas (see below) that it wants to bring to the Department’s attention in order to be transparent and to collaboratively work with the Department to ensure maintaining of patient services and patient safety throughout the closure process. It should be noted that further adjustments may be needed to the timing (and scope) of the service reductions based on circumstances outside of MSBI’s control. MSBI will keep the Department informed of any changes and adjustments to the operations of the 16th Street Campus during the winddown period to full closure.

Expiration of Certifications/Accreditations

Two (2) certifications held by the Hospital are due for renewal in 2024. MSBI has made the decision to not renew those designations as follows:

- 1. Palliative Care Certification – The Joint Commission.** MSBI holds a palliative care certification from The Joint Commission (TJC) that expires on April 24, 2024. MSBI has notified TJC that it will not seek recertification of its palliative care program. Note that this

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certification is not required by the Department for any certified service on the Hospital's Operating Certificate; MSBI is notifying the Department of its decision to relinquish its palliative care certification for informational purposes only.

- 2. Thrombectomy-Capable Stroke Designation.** MSBI is accredited by TJC and designated as a Thrombectomy-Capable Stroke Center by the New York State Department of Health. The Hospital's TJC accreditation expires as of March 10, 2024 and MSBI will not be renewing its accreditation, thereby relinquishing its Thrombectomy-Capable Stroke Center designation. As required under 10 NYCRR Section 405.24 Stroke Services (f)(3), MSBI will notify affected parties and provide the Department with a written plan describing specific measures it has taken to alter its arrangements and protocols with local emergency medical services providers within 30 days of the withdrawal of the stroke center designation. MSBI will maintain the on-call stroke team until the expiration of its TJC Thrombectomy-Capable Stroke Center designation on March 10, 2024. Starting in early January 2024, the plan is to provide treatment, stabilization and transfer of stroke patients. Any patient that presents to the emergency department of the Hospital will be treated, stabilized and then transferred to another Mount Sinai acute care facility or another acute care provider preferred by the patient upon stabilization. Inpatients who have a stroke after being admitted to MSBI will be treated, stabilized and then transferred.

Impact of Closure on Services and Beds During the Winddown Period

MSBI has identified potential impacts on beds and services during the winddown period to closure. As stated in the Closure Plan document submitted to the Department on October 25, 2023, staffed beds and the provision of specific services, including hours of operation of those services, may be adjusted during the closure process due to staffing and patient utilization to ensure that patient safety is maintained. Mount Sinai is prepared to discuss the identified potential impacts of the winddown period on beds and services with the Department in order to develop and implement strategies to ensure continuity of patient care during the transition to closure.

- 1. ST-elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) Center Designation/Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI).** MSBI is designated as a STEMI Center by the Fire Department of New York (FDNY) as a result of being a PCI-Capable Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory Center. As the transition to closure occurs, MSBI anticipates that it will experience staffing issues that prevent the Hospital's ability to assemble the PCI team within 30 minutes of the activation call to provide coronary interventions 24 hours a day, 365 days each year as required by 10NYCRR Section 405.29 – Cardiac Services, thereby causing the Hospital to have to relinquish its STEMI Center designation and cease emergency PCI cases. MSBI proposes to transition elective PCI cases to other Mount Sinai approved PCI-Capable Cardiac Catheterization programs (i.e., Mount Sinai Morningside, Mount Sinai Hospital and Mount Sinai Hospital of Queens) or another provider if preferred by the patient starting in mid-

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December and to cease emergency PCI cases in mid-March 2024 in alignment with a 90-day notice filed with FDNY that MSBI will be relinquishing its STEMI Center designation.

2. **Transition of Elective Cardiac Cath/Electrophysiology (EP)/Interventional Radiology Cases to other Mount Sinai Health System Acute Care Facilities.** In alignment with the transition of elective PCI cases, MSBI proposes to transition all elective cardiac catheterization, electrophysiology (EP) and interventional radiology cases to other Mount Sinai cardiac catheterization, EP and interventional radiology programs or other providers if preferred by the patient starting in mid-December.
3. **Reduction of Inpatient Elective Surgeries and Procedures.** MSBI is experiencing a decrease in the volume of inpatient elective surgeries and procedures since the announcement of the closure of the 16th Street Campus. MSBI physicians are also credentialed at other Mount Sinai acute care facilities in Manhattan (Mount Sinai Morningside, Mount Sinai West and Mount Sinai Hospital) and they have already begun transitioning their elective surgeries and procedures to those facilities. MSBI proposes to allow for the full transition of inpatient elective surgeries and procedures beginning in early January 2024 to the other Mount Sinai facilities or to another provider if preferred by the patient. This will allow MSBI to address staffing and utilization issues in the peri-operative surgical/procedural service product line as patient utilization decreases during the winddown period to closure.
4. **Intensive Care Unit (ICU) Beds.** MSBI is experiencing an average daily census (ADC) of 10 to 14 ICU beds, compared to the licensed ICU bed capacity of 44 (36 Intensive care and 8 coronary care). MSBI projects that the need for ICU beds will decrease exponentially during the winddown period as staffing and inpatient utilization decreases. To address the decreasing need for intensive care beds, MSBI proposes to reduce the number of staffed ICU beds by 8 from the current 14 staffed beds, resulting 6 staffed ICU beds in January 2024. As staffing and patient utilization continues to decrease, MSBI will continue to provide intensive care services, as needed, until the full closure. MSBI proposes to implement a stabilization and transfer protocol using a virtual ICU attending to address the clinical deterioration of inpatients. If a need for higher-acuity intensive care is identified based on the stabilization and transfer protocol, the patient will be transferred to another acute care hospital within the Mount Sinai Health System or to another acute care provider if preferred by the patient.
5. **Medical/Surgical Beds.** Prior to the announcement of the planned closure of the 16th Street Campus, MSBI had an average daily census of 140 to 142 medical/surgical beds out of 150 staffed beds. Since the submittal of the Closure Plan document to the Department, MSBI is experiencing an ADC of 111 medical/surgical beds. MSBI projects that the need for medical/surgical beds will continue to decrease exponentially during the winddown period as staffing and inpatient utilization decreases. MSBI proposes to decrease the number of staffed

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medical/surgical beds from 150 staffed beds to 88 beds, a reduction of 62 beds, by the end of December. MSBI further projects that it will further decrease the number of staffed medical/beds by 31 beds by the end of January, resulting in 57 staffed medical/surgical beds. By the end of February, MSBI projects that it will further reduce the number of staffed medical/beds by 33 beds, resulting in 24 staffed medical/surgical beds. MSBI will staff the 24 medical/surgical beds from that point until the 16th Street Campus transitions to full closure. The reduction of staffed beds will be accomplished by the closure of inpatient units so that staffing and utilization of medical/surgical units is maximized to ensure patient safety.

Senior Leadership at MSBI will continue to monitor staffing and patient utilization on a daily basis to proactively identify and address issues that could affect continuity of care and patient safety as the 16th Street Campus moves to full closure. The Department will be informed of any changes to the proposed actions outlined above and of any additional operational concerns that are identified. MSBI is available to discuss the information outlined in this Closure Plan Addendum and in the Closure Plan that was submitted on October 25, 2023.