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GMHA Update: Chilled Water Supply Line

(Tuesday, April 30, 2024; Tamuning, Guam) The Guam Memorial Hospital Authority (GMHA) is issuing an update following an incident earlier today involving a chilled water supply line for the GMHA Emergency Department. On Tuesday morning, the supply line malfunctioned, leading to flooding in the first-floor elevator lobby.

The prompt response of GMHA staff allowed for the swift containment of the break, followed by a thorough cleaning of the affected area. All elevators, except Elevator 4, which was scheduled for maintenance, are fully operational. Following an assessment conducted by GMHA, all essential utilities, including electrical systems, heat, power, HVAC, and alarm systems, are functioning without any issues. On Tuesday afternoon, Governor Lou Leon Guerrero visited GMHA this afternoon to assess the situation and expressed satisfaction with the hospital's swift recovery efforts.

"Despite today's incident, I want to assure the community that hospital operations are back to normal. The dedication and efficiency displayed by our staff in responding to this situation minimized any disruption to our operations, ensuring that patient care remained our top priority," said Acting GMHA Administrator Dr. Dustin Prins. "I am very proud of the the unsung heroes at GMHA for their quick and effective response in managing the incident and maintaining the continuity of care."

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