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Update: GMHA Visitation Suspension Amid Smoke Report

(Saturday, December 20, 2025; Tamuning, Guam) Our hospital teams have identified the source of the smoke reported earlier today on the third floor in the telemetry area. GMH engineers located a burnt motor within a pre-cooling unit on that floor. Replacement of the affected component is being immediately addressed, and our team has the necessary parts on hand as part of the air-handling unit upgrade project arriving on Guam in late January.

We want to reassure the community that our staff responded immediately and that the situation has remained under control from the moment it occurred. All patients and staff are safe. The dedicated team on the unit acted quickly and professionally to secure the area and support those nearby. Their swift action, along with the work of our engineering team, allowed us to identify the cause and begin repairs without delay.

The Guam Fire Department and Guam Power Authority continue to assist us as we complete the assessment and recovery.

Visitation remains temporarily suspended for the safety of patients, visitors, and staff. We will restore visitation as soon as it is safe to do so.

We will continue to provide updates as more information becomes available. Thank you for your understanding and support.

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