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**WEST JEFFERSON MEDICAL CENTER PARTNERS WITH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL  
OFFERS PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY ROOM CLOSE TO HOME**

**NEW ORLEANS** – West Jefferson Medical Center (WJMC) in partnership with Children's Hospital is proud to announce the opening of a dedicated, pediatric emergency room within WJMC. The emergency room is conveniently located across from the adult ER and just off the main lobby/atrium. This new alliance will provide care close to home for the West Bank community with convenient, quick access to emergency care for the whole family from birth through adulthood. The pediatric emergency room at WJMC offers 24/7 emergency care with pediatric specific equipment, seven exam rooms and physicians and nurses who are specially trained to work with children.

"Making pediatric emergency care closer to our West Bank families has been a goal of ours for some time," said John Heaton, MD, Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer of Children's Hospital. "Now the Children's Hospital name, which so many people recognize for quality health care, is available to more people on the West Bank."

“We are proud to partner with our sister hospital and provide the only pediatric emergency room on the West Bank,” said Nancy R. Cassagne, CEO of West Jefferson. “This will enable us to offer the very best care to our youngest patients and their families in a warm and calming atmosphere that will help to ease anxiety over being in a hospital.”

Children’s Hospital and WJMC are proud members of LCMC Health, a Louisiana-based, not-for-profit hospital system serving the health care needs of the Gulf Coast region. LCMC Health currently manages award-winning community hospitals including Touro, University Medical Center New Orleans, New Orleans East Hospital, Children’s Hospital and West Jefferson Medical Center. For more information, visit: [www.chnola.org/emergency](http://www.chnola.org/emergency) or call 504-349-1555.

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### **About The Pediatric Emergency Room at West Jefferson Medical Center**

*The Pediatric Emergency Room at West Jefferson Medical Center (WJMC) is located at 1101 Medical Center Blvd in Marrero, Louisiana. Our 7-bed, dedicated pediatric emergency department is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The center is staffed with Children’s Hospital pediatricians and pediatric nurses all working together to provide comprehensive, patient and family-centered care in a community setting. For more information or to contact the pediatric emergency department at WJMC, call (504) 349-1555 or log-on to [chnola.org/emergency](http://chnola.org/emergency) or [wjmc.org/peds](http://wjmc.org/peds).*

### **About Children’s Hospital New Orleans**

*Children’s Hospital is a 247-bed, not-for-profit regional medical center offering the most advanced pediatric care to children from birth to 21 years. With more than 400 physicians trained in more than 40 subspecialties, it is the only full-service hospital exclusively for children in Louisiana and the Gulf South. For more information, logon to [chnola.org](http://chnola.org).*

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