Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago Moves Here on June 9

This Saturday, June 9, at 6 a.m., Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago will open on the downtown medical campus at 225 E. Chicago Ave. Lurie Children’s is now ranked No. 7 in the U.S. News & World Report Best Children’s Hospitals Honor Roll, a distinction awarded to only 12 children’s hospitals. In addition to being listed with the elite nationwide group, the hospital has 10 specialties ranked nationally, five of which are among the Top 10 in the country including Urology (6), Nephrology (7), Gastroenterology (8), Cancer (9) and Orthopaedics (10).

Lurie Children’s move here will enhance the hospital’s collaboration with academic and clinical partners including Northwestern Memorial and Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine. A bridge connection will allow for faster transports of critically ill newborns from Northwestern Memorial’s Prentice Women’s Hospital to Lurie Children’s, expediting care. Close proximity to Northwestern Memorial and the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago will aid in the transition of young patients to adult care. And, Lurie Children’s research mission and ability to recruit top pediatric specialists will be strengthened by sharing the academic medical center campus.

The map below shows the separate routes that ambulances and families will take to Lurie Children’s for the move on Saturday. With the transport of up to 200 patients from Children’s Memorial Hospital in Lincoln Park, the move is expected to take 10 to 18 hours and will involve 20 to 25 ambulances each transporting one child at a time. There are no street closures planned on the medical campus. However, there will be no street parking on Chicago Avenue from Lurie Children’s to Lake Shore Drive and traffic is expected to be heavier than normal.