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MEE/ Medical services expanded

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Mee Memorial's broader vision also has led to a new cancer clinic in Paso Robles, projected to open this summer.

Among other components of Mee Health Systems:

n In King City, an urgent care/occupational medicine center, under construction on the Broadway Circle and opening in July.

n In Soledad, an urgent care center and primary care center. It opened last summer.

n In Paso Robles, an urgent care and primary care center, which opened in October.

n In King City, an urgent care center opened in October 2004.

The system also encompasses a Greenfield clinic that sees 3,000 patients a month and a women's center and family practice clinic in King City.

A mobile clinic brings screening and referrals to residents in Lockwood, San Ardo, Bradley, San Lucas and San Miguel.

Medical services have expanded, too. Eighteen months ago, the hospital added occupational medicine and six months later, orthopedic surgery.

Chemotherapy will be added in King City once the Paso Robles cancer center opens.

"We're also looking at pediatrics as a reflection of all the young families in the area," Martinez said.

As with hospitals throughout the area, Mee Memorial is concerned about the fate of the deficit-plagued Natividad Medical Center, the county's safety-net hospital.

Any cut in services for Natividad would impact every area hospital.

"We do already provide a large degree of charitable care," Martinez said.

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Perrott said expansion plans for the emergency and operating room areas, lobby and parking facilities are being finalized. Finally, construction for an expanded cancer resource center is expected to begin soon. The capital projects are expected to cost about \$40 million and take two to three more years to complete.

SVMH recently was named one of only four hospitals in the state that performed "better than expected" in coronary artery bypass graft surgery by the state Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

In October, health care advocacy group HealthGrades ranked SVMH System first in the San Jose area for overall heart surgery and procedures such as angioplasty and stent. In addition, the hospital received a five-star rating for coronary bypass surgery.