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The Lambeau Field Atrium and holiday decorations are photographed through a crystal sphere in Green Bay. SARAH KLOEPPING/USA TODAY NETWORK-WISCONSIN

Bellin Hospital to receive military assistance

Here's why a Green Bay hospital is one of the first in the nation to get military help

GREEN BAY - Bellin Hospital is one of the first hospitals in the nation to receive military help in the form of doctors, nurses and respiratory therapists to combat the ongoing spread of COVID-19 due to its ability to expand its capacity to serve outlying communities and its centralized location.

"Bellin was the facility that FEMA interviewed and assessed," said Deb Standridge, deputy secretary of the state Department of Health Services, during a call with reporters Tuesday. "They decided Bellin would be a great fit for the medical deployment teams that are arriving."

The other hospital to receive Navy support is in Indiana, at Indiana University Health Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis.

Standridge said one condition for receiving Federal Emergency Management Agency medical deployment team was that the hospital could to expand its capacity. DHS also considered outlying rural areas and communities within Green Bay that could benefit from that expanded capacity.

Meeting that criteria, FEMA authorized a 20-person team of health care workers from the U.S. Navy to join the ranks of Bellin's health care workers for up to 30 days. As for when the Navy staff will start taking shifts at the hospital, Kelly McBride Moore, a Bellin spokesperson, said the hospital "ex-

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Things to know if you are going to the Packers' game Dec. 25

Richard Ryman Green Bay Press-Gazette | USA TODAY NETWORK - WISCONSIN

GREEN BAY - It won't come as a surprise to football fans in Green Bay on Christmas Day to watch the Packers play the Cleveland Browns that there will be inconveniences. • Christmas Day games are challenging to host cities because — well, because it's Christmas — but this year you can add to the mix two years of COVID-19 pandemic, which is responsible for worker shortages everywhere and especially in every hospitality-related sector.

"It's a tough one because a lot of the employees have worked short-staffed for so long and businesses want to give them time with their families over the holidays," said Brad Toll president and CEO of tourism bureau Discover Green Bay. "We also have tens of thousands of guests in our city who are excited about be-

ing there for the game."

On the whole, fans should be able to find most of the things they need this weekend, but they might not find all the things they want or be able to go to their usual haunts.

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Woodruff continues to pass along lessons of iconic Dr. Kate Pelham Newcomb

Keith Uhlig
Wausau Daily Herald
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WOODRUFF - She looks the quintessential grandma in pictures, round face with a wide smile, gray curls poofing from her head, a smile seemingly tailor-



Newcomb

made for giving out hugs or a plate of warm cookies.

The images can't show the steely spirit and dogged determination that distinguished Dr. Kate Pelham

Newcomb and made her famous worldwide.

As one of two doctors in the 1940s and 1950s who practiced in a 300-square-mile swath of Wisconsin's Northwoods, from the Minocqua-

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