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Hospice News: Hospices Keep Up Pace With Facility Openings

The **HHS Office of Inspector General** and other authorities are scrutinizing general inpatient (GIP) care. But that isn't stopping hospices from building more facilities.

<u>In New York:</u> New York City now has its first freestanding hospice house facility, says **Addeo Hospice Residence** in Staten Island. The residence is operated by **University Hospice**, which is affiliated with **Staten Island University Hospital**.

And **Niagara Hospice** in Niagara Falls will open a second nursing home-based hospice unit this fall through a new partnership with **Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center**, reports Buffalo Business First. The 14-bed unit will be in the hospital's **Schoellkopf Health Center** on the campus. Last year the agency partnered with the **McGuire Group** to open **Hospice at Jeanne's House**, a 22-bed unit at **Northgate Health Care Facility** in North Tonawanda.

Other local hospice groups are following suit, the newspaper adds. For example, **Hospice Buffalo** opened three sites with partners in Erie County this year.

<u>In Georgia:</u> Hospice Savannah has opened its new Center for Living. In addition to an inpatient facility, the center includes training and education resources and bereavement programming, the hospice says in a release.

<u>In Ohio:</u> Continuing care retirement community **Maple Knoll Village** in Cincinnati has opened **The Richard Neubauer, M.D. and John Hughes Hospice Center**, reports the Cincinnati Enquirer. The Center has 10 rooms.

<u>In Maine:</u> Pen Bay Medical Center in Rockport plans to build a seven-room hospice unit, reports the Bangor Daily News.