

# Oconee Medical construction to slow traffic

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SENECA — New traffic islands under construction will slow traffic at Oconee Medical Center and motorists are being asked not to cut through the medical campus unless they have business there.

Most of the work will occur at the junction of Hospital Drive and Memorial Drive, which are privately owned by the hospital but often used as cut-throughs to avoid the traffic light at the State 28/U.S. 123 interchange, known locally as "Miracle Circle."

"If you are not coming to Oconee Medical Center as an employee, patient, or visitor, it is best for you to

avoid using Memorial Drive as a shortcut," said Tony Garrett, Oconee Medical Center Director of Engineering. "You will get where you're going faster and help everyone involved — patients, employees, visitors, construction workers and yourself — by staying on the highway."

Drivers on Memorial Drive during this phase of construction should expect delays and be prepared to travel much more slowly through the area.

"We appreciate everyone's cooperation during this time as we work quickly and diligently to bring this construction project to completion," Garrett said.