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John Manchin Sr. Health Care Center provides meals for Seniors

When John Manchin Sr. Health Care Center Administrator Carol D. Merrill learned that a local provider would no longer provide meals to the Marion County Senior Center, she quickly launched into action.

The Marion County Senior Center provides meals to qualified home bound seniors and the Senior Centers in Fairmont, Mannington and Fairview. The Center was concerned they may be forced to discontinue this much needed service.

A plan was developed through the joint efforts of local legislators, officials from the senior center and the health care center for JMHCC to prepare and provide the meals. With help from governor's office officials and other state representatives, two additional cooks were recruited and hired to assist with the extra meal preparation.

On October 3rd, during a smooth and seamless launch, the first meals were provided to the Marion County senior citizens.

Debbie Harvey, Director of the Marion County Senior Center said seniors were pleased with the food and very appreciative.

JMHCC Dietary Manager Sheryl Screen and staff worked to develop a well-thought-out plan and are happy that their efforts will provide a needed service to the seniors in the community.

The John Manchin Sr. Health Care Center offers skilled and intermediate nursing, inpatient and outpatient clinical services to qualifying individuals. Go on-line at <http://www.wvdhhr.org/jmhc/> or call 304-363-2500 to learn more about the facility and the services they provide.