



# COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO

# NEWS RELEASE

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### **RESCHEDULED: NEW EDGEMOOR HOSPITAL GROUNDBREAKING ON FEB. 10** *Officials To Turn Out For Construction Kick Off of Long-Awaited Facility for Special Patients*

- WHO:** Dianne Jacob, County Board of Supervisors  
Walt Ekard, CAO, County of San Diego  
Jean M. Shepard, Director, County Health and Human Services Agency  
Invited guests and staff members of Edgemoor Hospital
- WHAT:** Groundbreaking for the new Edgemoor Hospital, to be completed in 2007
- WHEN:** 11:00 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 10
- WHERE:** Meet at current Edgemoor site, [9065 Edgemoor Dr., Santee](#).  
Shuttles will begin taking guests to the new building site at 10:00 a.m. Please be sure to arrive by 10:30 a.m.  
*Accommodations for inclement weather have been made.*
- WHY:** The [81-year-old Edgemoor Hospital](#) facility will be replaced by a 167,000-square-foot, state-of-the-art building, with special features to assist the poorest and sickest of our county's residents, including many physically disabled and brain-injured patients. Many groups and individuals have been involved in the planning for this special project and the County wishes to celebrate each step along the way, and honor their efforts and contributions.

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