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VA Hospital Slated for Surveillance

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Sept. 3 (UPI)—The Veterans Administration hospital all but shut down after an unexplained series of respiratory failures, will go back into operation Monday under strict surveillance of members, officials said today.

Dr. S. Martin Lindenauer, the chief physician, said the hospital will increase its patients count to two-thirds capacity, or some 250 persons, but will place all patients receiving intravenous injections under a concentrated security watch.

During the crisis that surfaced Aug. 15 when the FBI began investigating the series of deaths, the hospital admitted only emergency patients or those who had come long distances and had no place to stay overnight.

Lindenauer said the hospital could no longer withhold services from more than 40 veterans waiting to be admitted. He said "Some of those men could die" without medical attention soon.