

K.C. Chiefs partner up with hospital

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Kansas City Chiefs and The University of Kansas Hospital have announced a 10-year partnership that brings a comprehensive health-care program to the team, encompassing its players, staff and fans.

Soon, it will include sports medicine access for the entire community, making it one of the first of its kind in the National Football League.

As the official health care provider of the Chiefs, the hospital will provide a complete team of physician specialists for the Chiefs, covering almost every aspect of health care.

As an academic medical center, the hospital and its clinical partners will work with the Chiefs to provide education and research for innovative advancement in sports-related health issues affecting athletes. In addition, the hospital will continue to manage and provide care in the first aid stations at Arrowhead Stadium events as it has for the past year.

Showcasing the integrated approach of the partnership, the Chiefs' training facility will be renamed the University of Kansas Hospital Training Complex. Within the training complex, the hospital will open a sports medicine clinic to provide on-site medical personnel and equipment to Chiefs players. The sports medicine clinic will be open to the public, serving athletes of all ages.

Expected to open in summer 2013, full details regarding the clinic will be released later. The clinic will occupy space in the current complex that houses the club's administrative offices and

the team's indoor and outdoor practice fields.

"We are extremely excited to announce this partnership with the University of Kansas Hospital," Chiefs Chief Executive Officer Clark Hunt said. "Health and safety are very important issues, not only for our players, but also for our staff and fans."

"With this partnership, our goal is to be a leader in comprehensive health care in the National Football League," Chiefs President Mark Donovan said. "The combination of on-site care for our team, our staff, fans at Arrowhead and athletes and their families in the entire Kansas City region creates a very valuable resource for us all."

"The University of Kansas Hospital is honored to partner with the Chiefs to bring an all-inclusive approach to team health care," said Bob Page, president and chief executive officer of the University of Kansas Hospital. "As a hospital and in partnership with our physicians, we are making a major commitment to orthopedics and sports medicine. Our goal, which we believe we achieve with this partnership, is to provide the Chiefs with the most innovative and comprehensive health care program in the NFL."

The hospital, which is ranked by U.S. News & World Report as one of the nation's best hospitals, opened its Center for Sports Medicine at its Kansas City, Kan., campus in August 2011. The hospital is also the official health care provider for the Kansas City Royals, Sprint Center and Kansas Speedway.



KAYLA CORNETT/Colby Free Press
Rich Epp hit his golf ball at the Colby Community College men's basketball golf tournament last year at Meadow Lake Golf Course. The tourney this year will be held on Friday, Aug. 24.

College men's basketball team to hold golf fund raiser tourney

The Colby Community College men's basketball team will sponsor a golf tournament Friday, Aug. 24, at Meadow Lake Golf Course.

Registration for the four-person scramble will begin at 9 a.m. with a shotgun start at 10 a.m.

Cost is \$240 per team, which includes supper. There will be hole prizes and an auction following the meal.

A few golf carts are available. Participants are asked to make their own cart arrangements.

For information, contact Coach Rusty Grafel at (785) 475-8360 or e-mail rusty.grafel @colbycc.edu.

All proceeds will be used to support the men's basketball program.

U.S. soccer team beats Japan for gold

By Joseph White
AP Sports Writer

WEMBLEY, England – In the closing minutes of the Olympic final, goalie Hope Solo flung her body toward the ball and managed to push it away. The lead stayed intact. The Americans would win the gold medal and redemption from a year-old World Cup heart-

ache.

The U.S. women's soccer team puts up with a lot from Solo. The candid comments. The Twitter tangents. The pause she put on her training to appear on "Dancing With the Stars."

But when the game is on the line, she's still hands-down – not to mention hands-up and hands-to-the-side – the best goalkeeper

in the world.

The Americans became champions for the third consecutive Olympics, beating Japan 2-1 Thursday in a rematch of last year's World Cup final. Carli Lloyd scored early in both halves, and the entire roster found the save it had been seeking since that penalty kick shootout loss in Germany 13 months ago.

Broncos beat Bears in opener

By Andrew Seligman
AP Sports Writer

CHICAGO – Peyton Manning knows his first appearance with the Denver Broncos was a bit uneven and that he has room for improvement.

Considering the time he has missed, he'll take it.

Now, he'll try to iron out everything in time for the regular season opener Sept. 9.

"It felt good to get out there," Manning said. "We can build on this."

Manning was intercepted near the goal line on the opening possession and watched from the sideline the rest of the way as Denver beat the Chicago Bears 31-3 Thursday night in the pre-season opener.

All eyes were on Manning and the results were mixed for the four-time MVP. Considering he missed all of last season with a nerve injury in his neck that weakened his throwing arm and led to his tearful farewell from the Indianapolis Colts, it was hardly a surprise.

Manning is trying to show he still has something left with Denver (No. 10 in the AP Pro32), and all things considered, he was happy.

"I know how much hard work I've put in and how much help I've gotten along the way," he said. "I know once we get to Pittsburgh, it'll be all about the game..."

For him, this was the next step – and a big one, at that.

On a cool and rainy night, Manning completed 4 of 7 passes for 44 yards, but didn't have to contend with Julius Peppers or Brian Urlacher. He had all the time he needed, too, so it remains to be seen how he'll handle a big hit.

But even with little pressure, he still was a bit off target against Chicago (No. 11 tie).

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