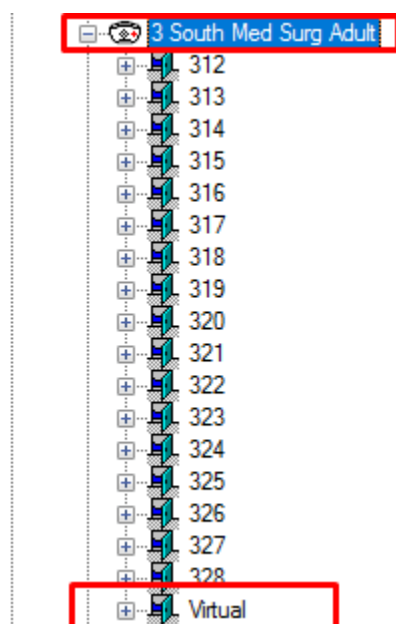


## Creation of Virtual Beds, All Nursing Units

On September 16, 2020 there will be a change observed in the bed available on each nursing unit. At the end of the room choices there will be a virtual bed added to each unit.

Example:



The virtual beds will be used by registration, bed control, and case management to temporarily place a discharged patient back into a bed when a discharge needs to be canceled to make a correction in the discharged patients EMR (some corrections can only be made in an active FIN, not a discharged FIN).

A virtual bed can only be used for a maximum time period of 4 hours and then the patient must be re-discharged again.

The reasons for the creation of a virtual bed:

1. When a discharge is cancelled, and a patient is in a bed, a real patient cannot be placed in that bed so it ties up a real bed unnecessarily.



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2. When the patient is re-discharged from a real bed, the bed then shows as dirty, which means housekeeping must go and visually inspect the bed and identify it as clean before it can be assigned to an actual patient.
3. If all real beds on a nursing unit are occupied, the patient must be temporarily discharged to another nursing unit, and when the patient is re-discharged again the 'other' unit will receive the monies from the hospitalization, not the unit that actually cared for the patient.

Any questions please contact Sabrina at x57206.

Thank you!