**IT Infrastructure Core Transformation**

Over the next five (5) weeks, the Office of Information Technology will begin Phase I of a multi-phase project to transform the Morehouse School of Medicine’s IT Infrastructure Core.

The first phase involves upgrading the fiber backbone, which serves as MSM’s digital highway. With increasing demands for greater capacity needed to support seamless delivery of multi-media content, as well as big data, the new fiber infrastructure will not only meet current bandwidth demands, but also future proof the MSM network.

We have worked with our vendor partner to ensure that fiber installation activities will not interfere with daily operations; however, during this time you may see workers and their equipment in the hallways throughout all 720 Westview Campus locations.

We are excited about this upgrade and look forward to the added benefits it will bring. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact the helpdesk at ext. 1111.

Stayed tuned for announcements regarding the second phase, which involves a comprehensive network device upgrade currently planned for late 2015, early 2016.

We thank you for your cooperation during this exciting time!

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