

Inova Alexandria Hospital Project 2010

What is Project 2010?

Inova Alexandria Hospital Project 2010 is a hospital reconfiguration and expansion project that will enhance our existing health care services and improve patient access to these services.

Why is Inova Alexandria Hospital expanding and reconfiguring?

In the year 2010, more than one out of four people in our community will be between the ages of 50 and 65. We are enhancing and expanding the health care services that are most demanded by our aging community, so that we may meet our community's needs for years to come. Through this effort, we are maintaining our 133-year commitment to investing in technology and medical services to continue to provide the standard of care expected by Alexandria residents.

What is the cost of Project 2010?

The cost is \$50 million. This cost is in addition to our \$8 million investment to build a parking garage for employees in 2003. Funding for Project 2010, much of which will come from philanthropic donors, represents the largest investment of capital into the hospital in more than 30 years.

What will be size and location of the new construction?

The new construction will comprise approximately 68,000 square feet of floor space on three floors, two of which will be above ground. This is approximately a 13 percent increase in floor space for the hospital. The new construction will be located next to the current Emergency Department. The expanded area will be much smaller than the footprint that was approved by the City of Alexandria, and preserves more open space between the building and the property line than originally anticipated.

What areas of the hospital will be expanded and reconfigured?

The renovations and expansions will focus on enhancing our emergency, surgical, and cardiovascular and interventional radiology departments, as these are the services most demanded by our community.

- The expansion of our **Emergency Department** will allow us to receive more patients and provide the most clinically effective care. The expansion will include the creation of an all-private, 12-bed Clinical Decision Unit that will be used to observe and assess patients. This will ensure appropriate care for individuals who do not need to be admitted, as well as available inpatient beds for individuals who do require a hospital stay.
- Our surgical services will expand to meet the growing need for open and minimally invasive surgical procedures. The **Surgery Department** expansion will include the construction of two additional operation rooms that will be equipped to accommodate minimally invasive procedures. Additionally, the ambulatory surgery and recovery areas will be expanded to improve patient access and flow.
- The **Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology Department (CVIR)** will expand by 16,000 square feet to allow the hospital to perform more of the innovative invasive and minimally invasive heart and vascular procedures we offer. The existing invasive procedure labs will expand to include a dedicated interventional radiology (IR) lab. The expansion also will include add a neurovascular interventional radiology lab, an electrophysiology (EP) lab, and two cardiovascular ultrasound rooms. Additionally, the **Radiology Department** ultrasound area will be renovated.
- To accommodate the expansion of CVIR services, the **Laboratory** will relocate to a new basement space that will be constructed under the new Clinical Decision Unit.
- A clinical space will be constructed above the Clinical Decision Unit on the hospital's second floor for future use.

Are there any other areas of the hospital undergoing changes?

Yes, our hospital is undergoing other renovations and construction in addition to the Project 2010 initiative. In 2004, we renovated and expanded our Perinatal Diagnostic Center to meet the ever growing need for special care for high-risk pregnancies. We also acquired a new, \$1 million computed tomography (CT) scanner for our Radiology Department, and the Inova Alexandria Hospital Cancer Center acquired a new linear accelerator that offers the latest in radiation treatment delivery including intensity modulated radiation therapies (IMRT). In 2005 we will complete the conversion of patient rooms in a fourth floor unit to 16 single-bed rooms that will be able to accommodate a wide variety of patients, and we are planning a renovation for our Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

What is the timeline for Project 2010?

The start date for construction is Fall 2005, and the total project will take 36 to 39 months to complete. The four phases of construction will begin with the Surgery Department, followed by the Emergency Department and Laboratory, the Radiology and Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology Departments, and the shell area above the Emergency Department.

Has the City of Alexandria approved Project 2010?

We have acquired the necessary zoning permits and are working with the City of Alexandria to obtain final approval and building permits. We anticipate receiving final approval by Summer 2005.

I have a question about Project 2010. Who can I ask?

We value your support and comments. Please feel free to contact us about Project 2010 at **703-504-7448**.