



New cancer hospital puts research into practice

State-of-the-art facility combines best technology with human touch

THE N.C. CANCER HOSPITAL WILL OPEN ON THE UNC CAMPUS IN FALL 2009 AS PART OF THE UNC HEALTH CARE SYSTEM. THE 315,000-SQUARE-FOOT STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITY WILL TRIPLE THE CURRENT SPACE AND SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS THAT CAN BE SERVED. THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA AUTHORIZED \$180 MILLION FOR THE PROJECT IN AUGUST 2004.

“This new hospital will be our clinical home, where we put research findings into real-world practice,” says H. Shelton Earp, MD, director of the UNC Lineberger Comprehensive Cancer Center.

The new facility will create a healing atmosphere by providing natural light, indoor courtyards, gardens, public art and other amenities. The design was created with input from patients, families and health care providers.

“We are combining the best technology with an environment that emphasizes the human touch,” says Dr. Earp.

Other important features include:

- ▶ clinics designed to provide multidisciplinary, patient-centered care for which UNC is known across the nation
- ▶ an expanded clinical trials unit
- ▶ a telemedicine conference center designed to enable real-time collaboration with doctors across the state
- ▶ space for a comprehensive support program tailored to each individual’s needs, from initial diagnosis through survivorship.

PUBLIC INVITED to OPENING of NC CANCER HOSPITAL

The official ribbon-cutting and opening celebration for the N.C. Cancer Hospital is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009. An open house will be held Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009. Both events are 1 to 3 p.m.

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