

KEMH Improvements Underway

Renovating KEMH

Renovating King Edward VII Memorial Hospital is critical to extend its life to about 2029. The new facilities that we plan to start building in about two years time will help us relieve pressure on KEMH. However, renovations to the existing buildings need to start today in order to maintain and improve patient services. Here are some of the renovations that are already underway:



- Refurbishment of Continuing Care lower lounge patient bedrooms and facilities, including flooring and decoration, is complete
- On Gosling Ward (paediatric) a new medication room is being created
- Work is now underway to renovate the public entrance to Admissions and Emergency. The larger, covered entrance will improve access to these areas and the remainder of the hospital building.

Future renovation projects:

- A new surgical suite within the maternity unit for emergency caesarian sections
- A new 64-Slice CT Scanner – this amazing machine will help us offer more diagnostic tests. As the lifecycle of this piece of equipment is about five years, it will be nearing the time to be replaced when the new hospital buildings are close to completion
- Due to pressures of space and the vital nature of their work, the Asthma and Diabetes Centres will be renovated and expanded on the ground floor of KEMH

- Planning for the rejuvenation of KEMH Medical and Surgical Wards is underway. Patients agree with our own assessment; we need to renovate our medical and surgical wards. We have prepared one pilot patient bedroom on Curtis Ward and another is almost complete. After staff, patients and their families give their feedback, we will roll out the preferred layout in our existing KEMH wards. The feedback we get will also shape plans for the 90 single-occupancy en suite rooms in the new Patient Tower

- A new Oncology Centre will be opened in the “Old Hospital” area. Improving our facilities for oncology patients could not wait until we finish our new facilities in about five years. The plans to strengthen our overall oncology service and have room for visiting specialists from Dana-Farber mean that the benefit to patients of this interim solution is too compelling. The Oncology Centre is expected to be open to patients in March 2009



New Buildings on the KEMH Site

The Johns Hopkins Phase II Report, released in November 2008, outlined a need for about 50% more floor space so that BHB can deliver the range and quality of acute care services Bermuda needs.

The KEMH Redevelopment Project has two parts, renovation of our current facility and the construction of new, additional buildings. The new buildings will be delivered by a PPP (public private partnership). BHB will undertake a robust, fair competitive process to identify a private partner that offers best value to Bermuda.

BHB is currently in the initiation phase of the new building side of the project and is well advanced in assembling an advisory team that will help us with key decisions and planning the way forward.

The next stage will include developing clinical and technical specifications, commercial terms for the project and planning the overall procurement strategy.

We are about two years away from groundbreaking.



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New Entrance to Admissions and Emergency.

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