Teck Acute Care Centre major milestone

VANCOUVER – Thirty-two thousand, six hundred cubic metres of concrete have been poured and 4,600 tonnes of rebar installed at the Teck Acute Care Centre. Health Minister Terry Lake today commemorated the occasion with staff, donors and project partners by unveiling a banner signed by young patients from throughout the province.

“The Teck Acute Care Centre structure is now complete from foundation to roof and the day the doors open to patients is fast approaching,” said Lake. “But this facility is about more than concrete and steel – the new hospital will help ensure we can continue to deliver exceptional patient-centred care to the most critically ill and medically complex patients in British Columbia.”

Construction focus now shifts to exterior and interior finishes, mechanical and electrical work and plumbing. Additional landscaping, art, healing gardens and a one-kilometre Wellness Walkway are also being completed.

“One of PHSA’s core values is to put the needs of our patients first, and the development of the Teck Acute Care Centre is an excellent example of this commitment,” said Wynne Powell, Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA) board chair. “The new hospital will offer private patient rooms, family amenities and access to natural light and outdoor spaces designed to enhance the overall healing environment and patient and family experience.”

When the hospital opens in 2017, it will be 59,400 square metres (640,000 square feet) with clinical areas on eight floors and 231 private patient rooms. It will include medical/surgical inpatient units, an emergency department, medical imaging, procedural suites, a hematology/oncology department, a pediatric intensive care unit, a high-risk labour and delivery suite and a new neonatal intensive care unit.

“I can’t express enough how monumental this day is for the entire province,” said BC Children’s Hospital Foundation chair David Podmore. “This Teck Acute Care Centre milestone is a testament to the generosity of donors. It’s their commitment that has made possible the construction of this world-class centre, and it’s because of them that BC Children’s Hospital caregivers will continue to provide the best health care for children for generations to come.”

Donors contributed $150 million to the project through the BC Children’s Hospital Foundation. The Teck Acute Care Centre is named in recognition of a $25-million donation in 2008 from Teck Resources Limited.

“Affinity Partnerships is proud to be part of the 33-year partnership with the stakeholders of BC Children’s and BC Women’s Redevelopment Project Phase 2, and in achieving this significant milestone,” said Rick Taylor, Affinity Partnerships board director. “Topping off truly
demonstrates the commitment and dedication of the many teams within the partnership who are working diligently to deliver this important facility.”

The BC Children’s and BC Women’s Redevelopment Project, an initiative of the Provincial Health Services Authority, is a three-phase, multi-year initiative to build the new Teck Acute Care Centre and to renovate existing facilities at BC Children’s Hospital and BC Women’s Hospital + Health Centre, and relocate the Sunny Hill Health Centre for Children to the Oak Street campus. The total cost of the three-phase redevelopment project is estimated at $678 million. Affinity Partnerships, a Balfour Beatty/Ledcor private partnership, was selected in 2014 to design, build, finance and maintain the new Teck Acute Care Centre.

Learn more:

For more information about the redevelopment project, please visit: www.newcw.ca

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