

HSC Winnipeg Women's Hospital ON THE MOVE



8 Weeks until First Patient Day

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Getting ready

The pace of activity inside 665 William Ave is increasing as we continue to get ready for First Patient Day on December 1.

In addition to staff training, much other work is underway:

- NICU patient "pod" equipment installation
- detailed work such as lamicoid labelling of all digital jacks
- pharmacy equipment commissioning
- furniture setup
- patient and supply room validation
- miscellaneous mounting of equipment
- cellular upgrade installation
- configuring phones and organizing which computers, displays, printers, phones, faxes will be moved over from the existing building to the new facility
- glove box installation in patient rooms
- H-boxes being installed and tested
- coordinating the schedules for training, stocking, and cleaning



Welcome desk: The team who helps visitors find their way

Surrounded by public waiting areas that offer plenty of natural light and comfortable seating, the Welcome Desk represents the first point of contact to visitors who walk through the doors of the new facility.

Whether it's to meet a new family member, visit a loved one or receive care, visitors and patients will be greeted by the friendly and professional staff who work at the Welcome Desk.

It will be staffed 24 hours a day, with reception staff who provide wayfinding information during the day, and at night the desk will be attended by Security. This team will play a key role in welcoming visitors to the calming and peaceful environment.

If you look closely at the Welcome Desk, you'll notice the start of the wildflower theme begin to grow throughout the building. After public consultation, specific flowers of Manitoba were chosen to symbolize different aspects of care and patient experience. You'll find the flowers printed on glass panels to represent resilience, growth and fertility.

This week

October 8	Women's Health Day 1 training NICU Day 1 training
October 9	Women's Health Day 1 training NICU Day 1 training Labour and delivery Day 2 training
October 10	Women's Health Day 1 training NICU Day 1 training
October 11	Women's Health Day 1 training NICU Day 1 training
October 14	Happy Thanksgiving!

Team rooms and quiet spaces

Although it's only a physical move of a few blocks, the new HSC Winnipeg Women's Hospital is miles ahead when it comes to quality of life improvements. For staff, this means newer, larger team rooms and the addition of two new quiet rooms.

Team rooms

There are six new, inviting team rooms in the new building. The rooms have well-equipped kitchens, comfortable



seating, and day-use lockers. The rooms are also secured with card access.

"Most of the rooms in the old building are very small," says Nikki Holling-Kostiuk, manager of nursing and clinical projects for Women's Health. "The team rooms in the new hospital are much bigger, with more comfortable seating, and they all have windows. Overall, they're a lot nicer."

Most of the team rooms also have a duty station connected to the patient call system, so staff will be able to respond to situations like a Code Blue while they're on their break.

The biggest of the rooms is on Level 3 and overlooks the intersection at William and Sherbrook through three-story windows which allow lots of natural sunlight to fill the room.

Team rooms are located near each clinical area, and are meant for use by



any staff members who work in the hospital.

"A lot of our team members float around the building and work in a number of different areas, so staff are welcome in any of the rooms," Nikki says.

Quiet rooms

A new feature of the building will be the two specially designated quiet rooms, at the west end of Level 3 and Level 4, respectively.

These rooms are specifically set aside for staff who need a calm place to rest and recharge on their break. There will be no chatting, eating, drinking, phones, PCs or televisions in the room; nothing that could be a distraction for staff.

Nikki says these rooms, which can accommodate two to four people, will be particularly helpful for staff who do shift work and need to rest their eyes and their minds for a few minutes.

"Shift workers, whether they're on day or night shift, need rest at different times. Some people want to stay awake on their breaks while others might want to get a little sleep, so it's about trying to accommodate everyone's needs a little better," she says.

Tours – Mark your calendar!

Tour dates have been confirmed for the new HSC Winnipeg Women's Hospital at 665 William Ave.

This is your chance to get an exclusive look at our state-of-the-art facility before the First Patient Day on December 1.

Tours* for HSC staff only

October 28 to November 1: Times to be confirmed

Public open house*

Saturday November 2: Guided tours* between 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

***Free ticket registration will be required.** Check the HSC website after October 15 for more information about how to sign up (www.hsc.mb.ca).