Houston Healthcare Expansion Projects

The Texas Medical Center is projected to reach an ultimate capacity of 59 million square feet in the near future.

- As the largest medical complex in the world, the Texas Medical Center (TMC) is an internationally recognized community of healing, learning and discovery. The completion of recent construction projects and billions in capital investment have raised the total size of the TMC (including all campuses) to 1,345 acres. This includes 290 buildings, and 27,500 parking spaces. Revenues generated from parking pays for infrastructure development and repair including 18 miles of public and private streets and roadways, security services, employee and visitor transportation, facility maintenance, mobility improvements, emergency preparedness, way-finding signage, campus master planning, grounds upkeep, bond covenants, City of Houston drainage fees, and much more.

- Construction underway or scheduled to be completed in 2015 in the greater Houston area includes:
  
  - Memorial Hermann-Texas Medical Center embarked on a $650 million renovation and expansion in the fall of 2014. The Breaking New Ground project will position the hospital to continue its leading role in driving the latest technology and procedures to provide for the growing healthcare needs in the Houston region. The project will add 1.34 million square feet. The expansion will also provide: 160 additional beds (plus 71 replacement beds); 24 operating rooms (19 replacement and five new); 16 additional emergency room bays; 750 new parking spaces; and a 335-seat café.

  - According to the Houston Business Journal, CHI St. Luke’s Health broke ground in Springswoods Village in June 2014. It is being built on 23 acres south of The Woodlands. CHI St. Luke’s will spend $110 million to build a 55,000 square foot ambulatory medical center and a 100,000 square foot medical office building.

  - Houston Methodist plans to build a new 193 bed hospital in The Woodlands and a 390 bed inpatient tower on the Houston Methodist Hospital campus. Groundbreaking on the new 470,000 square foot hospital in The Woodlands is well underway, with the hospital planning to be completed in 2017.

  - The Memorial Hermann Health System is bringing its world – class patient – centered care to the Cypress area with the construction of a major medical campus – the centerpiece being a new, 80 – bed, state – of – the – art hospital. The $168 million construction project is scheduled to begin in 2015.

  - Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital, which has served the Greater Katy area since 1981, has embarked on an $85 million expansion to meet the needs of the growing community. The six-story, 229,000-square-foot patient tower will add capacity in multiple areas, including surgical suites, medical and surgical beds, labor and delivery, and the new Emergency Center. When construction is complete, the hospital’s total bed count will grow from 142 to 210 beds. The patient tower is projected to be completed in fall 2016.

  - Memorial Hermann has begun construction of an $80 million hospital to expand its recently opened convenient Care Center that opened in March 2014 in Pearland. Memorial Hermann Pearland Hospital will offer an intensive care unit, operating rooms, cardiac catheterization labs, medical and surgical units, specialty physicians, women’s services, comprehensive radiology and laboratory services, wellness and prevention care, and sports medicine and rehabilitation. Infrastructure is in place to grow to 128 beds in the next five years.
• Texas Children’s Hospital approved plans to build a 19-story tower on top of a six-story facility next to the Texas Children’s Pavilion for Women in the Texas Medical Center. The 25-floor tower is expected to be completed in 2018.

• The University of Texas Medical Branch (UTMB) rolled out a $1.79 billion plan to rebuild the system post Hurricane Ike that include new and improved hospitals to additional clinics.

• According to the Houston Business Journal, TRC Capital Partners, an affiliate of The Redstone Cos. of Houston, and Houston-based Medistar Corp. will develop and own a 250-room hotel in the Texas Medical Center. A large percentage of rooms will cater to medical center guests who require longer-term stays.

• Baylor College of Medicine is building the $1 billion Baylor Clinic and Hospital on a 35-acre tract of land located in the Texas Medical Center’s mid-campus.

• M.D. Anderson’s addition of nine floors atop its 12-story Albert B. and Margaret M. Alkek Hospital is expected to cost about $293 million. This expansion will add 478,000 square feet to the hospital’s current 755,764 square feet. Another 200,000 square feet of space will be renovated and upgraded. When the expansion and renovation are completed, M.D. Anderson will house 867 beds that will meet projected inpatient growth through 2020.

• Memorial Hermann Medical Plaza, the largest medical office building in the Texas Medical Center, is a 1.5 million square foot, 30-story tower representing a capital investment of $157.5 million.

• The Methodist Hospital will build a $300 million patient tower and a $70 million adult outpatient clinic to consolidate services.

• CHI - St. Luke’s Episcopal Hospital is undertaking a $200 million expansion project that includes demolishing its original 50-year-old hospital and erecting a 10-story patient care center.

• HCA is undertaking seven construction projects, including a $50 million investment in a medical office building, parking deck and surgery center at the Woman’s Hospital of Texas.

• Near the Texas Medical Center, The University of Texas Research Park — a joint project of The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and The University of Texas Health Science Center — Houston — offers a master planned campus with laboratory and office space for both academic and commercial biomedical and biotechnology research facilities. Here, collaboration between scientific and business professionals will accelerate commercialization of new biotechnologies developed in the Texas Medical Center and the Research Park and lead to new businesses, products and services. The M.D. Anderson portion of the Research Park is planned to provide parcels for as many as 12 buildings containing 1.5 million square feet of lab, office and support space.

• In honor of Dr. DeBakey, permanent and rotating exhibits at the future DeBakey Library and Museum will house his instruments, inventions, awards, papers, photographs, video displays and a replication of Dr. DeBakey’s Conference Room (known as the “Green Room”). Another display replicates a surgery suite used by Dr. DeBakey which will house many inventions designed for him (surgical gurney, respirator, film stand, etc.).