The purpose of this bulletin is to inform staff, patients, visitors and the neighbors close to the University of Washington Medical Center Northwest campus about the Behavioral Health Teaching Facility (BHTF) construction project. This bulletin will be published quarterly during the design phase and monthly during the construction phase. Please see the webpage for more information about the project, construction logistics and the milestone schedule. https://facilities.uw.edu/projects/behavioral-health-teaching-facility

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

Below grade concrete foundations are complete and concrete pours for levels 1-7 will occur through the summer. Primary steel structure erection begins in the first week of May and is slated for completion in early July. This work will be loud and creates mild odors, as steel is bolted and welded together. Both concrete and steel work require delivery trucks and heavy equipment to enter and leave the jobsite, resulting in noise and intermittent closures of the campus loop road. Minor demolition to the exterior of the existing A-wing begins the last week of May to accommodate two suspended walkways connecting the Behavioral Health Teaching Facility to A-wing. If needed, crews may work on Saturdays between 9am and 6pm during the month of May, in accordance with the approved Construction Management Plan. We appreciate your patience with potential noise disturbance.

Below is a photo from the recent steel install for a soil retention wall on April 20th.

If you have any questions about the upcoming work at UWMC Northwest, please feel free to contact us and we would be glad to provide any additional information.

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PROJECT OVERVIEW

The new Behavioral Health Teaching Facility will be a one-of-a-kind fully integrated welcoming and healing environment for individuals struggling with serious physical and behavioral health problems. The building will support a full continuum of clinical services ranging from effective medication management and psychotherapies to state-of-the art neuromodulation treatments, medical and surgical care for individuals with medical and behavioral health disorders. The building will also become the home for an interdisciplinary training and workforce development program that is focused on preparing and supporting the next generation of behavioral health providers for Washington State.