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

The exterior facade of the building is underway with the goal of enclosing the building by the end of November. Fire proofing, framing, and overhead rough in of mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and other equipment is ongoing through the winter of 2023. Trucks and heavy equipment will enter and leave the jobsite, resulting in noise and intermittent closures of the campus loop road. Framing requires the use of chop saws, which are very loud for short periods of time. If needed, crews may work on Saturdays between 9am and 6pm in accordance with the approved Construction Management Plan. We appreciate your patience with potential noise disturbance.

The photo below was taken on August 22nd showing the start of enclosure around the penthouse being set by the crane.

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.

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.

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