



HFPO-Alaska

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We're more than halfway there!

Overall, construction is nearly 60% complete. Some areas of the new facility are still no more than an empty concrete slab with plastic walls while other areas are painted, with lights, cabinets, ceiling grids and ceramic floor tiles. The wide range of work that is finished is due in large part to the contractors continuous efforts to streamline and synchronize work. Aggressive scheduling has enabled the contractor and sub-contractors to work in multiple areas of the building simultaneously. We have laid out the interior of the building in previous newsletters. In this issue, we highlight an area that is invariably a major concern, especially when its 40 below-The Parking Lot. The new parking lot has more headbolt heaters, more parking spaces and during those few months it is not covered with snow, you will notice that is paved. The significant increase in parking spots will be a welcome relief.

With sadness we ready ourselves to say adieu to COL Gamble and his wonderful family who will depart the Ft Wainwright community this summer. COL Gamble has been a vital element in this project and a tremendous help in getting us to the level of success we currently enjoy. He and his family will be sorely missed.

Finally, HFPO extends a hearty welcome to Bassett's incoming commander, COL Koji Nishimura, who will assume command this summer and be with us through occupancy. COL Nishimura will be the first commander of the new Hospital when we open in the summer of 2006.

MAJ Kent Koger
Chief, HFPO



Can you see it?

← Now

Soon ↓

COL Gamble escorted COL Nishimura on a site tour of the new facility. They even had a chance to 'try out' the commander's office on the 3rd Floor.





Spring has sprung, fall has fell, summer's almost here and it's hotter than..... well not up here in Alaska. However, the days are getting longer and it's warming up during the day - a sure sign that winter is about over and breakup is near. Another sure sign: Ice Classic tickets are on sale. Some of you are wondering what all this has to do with transition. TOURS, that's what! Kate Schollard, Civilian Representative to the MEDDAC Executive Committee, called not long ago and asked about tours for our civilian employees. We at HFPO want **all of you** to tour the new hospital. Tours by sections seem to work best and be the most meaningful. We can then give you an overview and concentrate more on your specific area. Maybe we can even show you where your work area will be and of course, most important, where the closest bathroom is. Right now it is slick on site but we don't have to wait until after breakup. Start thinking about how you'd like to do it. As said earlier, by section seems to work best but we realize that won't always work. Groups of eight are optimum and more than 12 doesn't work well - we recommend splitting into two groups. Plan to spend two hours from start to finish. When you arrive, you will receive a short briefing about the new hospital and a safety brief. You'll be issued your very own hardhat, safety vest, safety glasses (not yours to keep though) and earplugs - a short walk later and you're in the new facility. So, have your OIC, NCOIC or POC call Dawn Davids at 353-5826 (or email her on Outlook) to schedule your activities' tour.



What's a POC? ? An activity's POC - 'Point of Contact' is the person who is responsible for interacting with the HFPO-AK on all matters dealing with the new hospital. They review the equipment & furniture plans, put together the Operational Plan and keep their personnel informed on what is happening in their department in the new hospital. Below is a our list of POC's, if there are any changes, please give us a call and let us know so we can keep it updated.

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| Anesthesia | MAJ Veloso CPT Roberts | 353-5238 353-5349 |
| APU / PACU | CPT Milam / LT Dorrell-Puhl SSG Blake | 353-5325 353-5325 |
| Command | CSM Brooks | 353-5210 |
| CSD | MAJ KC Bolton | 353-5196 353-5387 |
| Dental | COL Mike Brace CPT Valdrow | 353-5408 353-5513 |
| ENT / Audiology | MAJ Cupero CPT Gutierrez | 353-5212 353-5534 |
| ER | MAJ Baker SSG Michael Jefferies | 353-5570 353-5689 |
| Facilities | Larry Kappel | 353-5673 353-5671 |
| Family Practice | MAJ McKinney SFC Harold Flowers | 353-1865 353-1812 |
| IMD | Bob Shankle Michelle Krause | 353-5101 353-5124 |
| In-patient Unit | MAJ Arlin Guess MAJ Rosa (HN) | 353-5141 353-5225 |
| Internal Medicine | CPT Footit SGT Freeman | 353-5286 353-5698 |
| Lab | CPT Nader MSG Soto | 353-5164 353-5261 |
| Logistics | MAJ Rich Hoyt SFC Michael Hill | 353-5470 353-5472 |
| Managed Care | Klee Hardcastle | 353-5563 |
| Med Maintenance | CW3 Rob Cherry SFC Harder | 353-5637 353-5228 |
| Medical Company | CPT Chris Rutz 1SG Wheeler | 353-5371 353-5373 |

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| METS | MAJ Denny | 353-5196 353-5136 |
| Mother-Baby / Nursery | LTC Graham / Dr. Hartung SFC Heinbaugh / Ruth Hanson | 353-5253 353-5312 |
| Nutrition Care | CPT Giese SFC Malinowski | 353-5247 353-5246 |
| OB / GYN Clinic | LTC Hartung SSG Lowe | 353-5253 353-5744 |
| Optometry | CPT Hutchinson | 3535212 |
| OR / CMS | MAJ Veloso / SFC Ely MAJ Steven Kosmach | 353-5238 353-5331 |
| Ortho Clinic | COL Myers SGT Crace | 353-5198 353-5199 |
| PAD | CPT Uptergrove MSG Rounds | 353-5200 353-5302 |
| Peds | MAJ Julie Tullberg SSG Quintyne | 353-5151 353-5567 |
| Personnel | Terri Morefield SFC Hamilton | 353-5285 353-5284 |
| Pharmacy | LTC Wehner SFC Brown | 353-5360 353-5607 |
| Physical Therapy | Ramon Ector SSG Macomber | 353-5249 353-5198 |
| Property | MaryAlice Hendrix | 353-5427 |
| Radiology | MAJ Nancy Schafer SSG Gearhart | 353-5117 353-5241 |
| RMD | CPT Jonathan Webb Beth King | 353-5384 353-5127 |
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Parking for the Replacement Hospital

Parking at the new facility - Building 4076 - will be greatly improved over the current situation at the current hospital (Building 4066). Presently Bassett has a total of 265 parking spaces, some are paved, and others are dirt and gravel. The replacement hospital project provides a total of 400 staff and visitor parking spaces. In that total are 46 handicap parking spaces, 89 staff parking spaces - separated from patient accessible parking and 22 parking spaces dedicated for ER parking. All parking spaces are paved and in lighted areas and will provide for a greater degree of safety, security and satisfaction for our staff and patients. In addition to the above-mentioned space there are six parking spaces for Command and LOG vehicles near the loading docks.



Grand total for parking is 406 spaces provided by the replacement project for direct utilization of patients, visitors and MEDDAC Staff.



Parking at Building 4077

Parking for what is now the HFPO Project Office, Building 4077 is in addition to the above spaces and in a separate parking lot on the Medical Campus. Building 4077 is being retained for medical services and has 56 parking spaces, 4 of which are handicap spaces.

Construction within new facility is quickly moving forward.



The cabinets and lights are going in to the VA treatment rooms.



Tile is being placed as seen here in the staff restroom.

Dan Gerdes, HFPO's Technical Engineer, 'reflects' near the intumescent paint mock-up.

Down in the crawl space, the general contractor has painted a section of the gray colored steel supporting most of the 'Green' area of the new facility. The paint is an intumescent material that will 'swell up' when heated, part of the overall fire proofing of the structure. Once approved, the steel that is gray today, will all be painted with this intumescent white paint and be exposed to the public as part of the overall architectural design of the building.



MAJ John Smith, former Chief of the HFPO-AK, along with CPT Bryan Walrath soak up the sun in Baghdad. The Health Facility planners have spearheaded medical facility planning and sustainment efforts with the Coalition Provisional Authority during the ongoing rebuilding efforts in Iraq. Their efforts will have long lasting effects on the Iraqi medical infrastructure for decades.



Sheri Robinson is the newest member of the HFPO-AK team. She is our new Transition Hand Receipt Manager. She'll be working closely with our office and the Property Book Office. Please join us and say "Welcome Aboard"

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