
BACKGROUND

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Royal Columbian Hospital redevelopment timelines

Phase one, through to 2019:

- Adds mental health care capacity and also prepares for future expansion.
- The new 20,600 square metre (221,736 square foot) mental health and wellness use centre will have three floors of inpatient units including 45 beds for acute mental health care, a 10-bed psychiatric high acuity unit, and Fraser Health's first older adult psychiatric unit with 20 beds.
- One floor of the facility will house 12 outpatient clinics, many of them new or expanded, plus clinical education space.
- An underground parkade, new energy centre for power and utilities, and a new IT communications server hub will also be part of the facility and serve the entire hospital.

Phase two, 2020-2024:

- Adds acute care capacity.
- A new acute care tower will add more beds for critical care, maternity, medicine and surgical patients, plus a new emergency department, more operating rooms, more interventional suites for cardiology and radiology, more MRIs, a new main entrance, an underground parkade, and a rooftop heliport.

Phase three, 2023-2026:

- Expands existing spaces.
- The third phase will expand the neonatal intensive care unit, pediatric unit, laboratory, pharmacy, diagnostic services, food services, ambulatory care services and other service support areas.
- Four-bed patient rooms in Columbia Tower will be converted to private or semi-private rooms.
- The acute care tower, health-care centre and Columbia Tower will be connected on three levels, creating a super-floor for interventional and surgical services, and another super-floor for families.

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