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MMC to Build New Scarborough Campus Medical Office Building

\$59M Building to house Maine Medical Partners Neurology, Neurosurgery & Spine, Otolaryngology and Vascular Surgery practices.

PORTLAND, Maine – Maine Medical Center (MMC) will invest \$59 million in a new Maine Medical Partners (MMP) medical office building at its Scarborough campus as part of its overall expansion and modernization project.

The 108,000-square-foot, three-story building will be home to Maine Medical Partners practices including Neurology, Neurosurgery & Spine, Otolaryngology (Ear, Nose & Throat) and Vascular Surgery. They will join at the campus the Scarborough Surgery Center (SSC), Maine Medical Center Research Institute (MMCRI), MMP – MaineHealth Cardiology, MMP Women’s Health Division of Gynecologic Oncology, the Maine Children’s Cancer Program and MMC Outpatient Imaging.

“This investment marks the next stage in our development of the Scarborough campus as a regional center for specialty medical care that is convenient for our patients, with easy highway access, ample parking and state-of-the-art facilities,” said Jeff Sanders, MMC President. “Coupled with the investments we are making at our Bramhall Campus, we are ensuring that MMC and MMP will continue to provide

the highest level of care well into the future. We look forward to working with the state and town of Scarborough to move this project ahead.”

This development allows the practices in the new building to expand and grow in response to patient demand. The new building will hold exam rooms, procedure rooms and doctor’s offices and will include the addition of 500 new parking spaces. It will allow for the development of existing programs as well as the potential creation of new programs.

“It is important that our colleagues work in facilities that reflect the world-class care they provide to their patients,” said Joel Botler, MD, MMC’s Chief Medical Officer and MMP President. “This investment is not only in our facilities, but in our colleagues, our practices and in the care of our patients.”

MMC has begun to seek the necessary state and local permits and hopes to begin construction in the fall of 2019, with a targeted completion of early 2021.

Additional investments in this Scarborough expansion increase the total cost of MMC’s overall project by \$9 million, bringing the total to \$534 million.

Altogether, MMC’s \$534 million expansion and modernization project will create 128 new private patient rooms, add 19 procedure rooms for surgeries and other complex treatments, provide an additional 225 spaces for patient and visitor parking, and consolidate MMC staff parking into one nearby garage that will meet current demand and future growth. It will create modern, state-of-the-art practice space allowing MMC and MMP to further develop its ambulatory care practices in Scarborough, convenient and easily accessible for patients and their families.

Work on the project began in the spring of 2018 at the Bramhall Campus in Portland with construction of two patient care floors with 64 new oncology patient rooms on top of the hospital’s East Tower (expected completion date of the fall of 2019) and the now-complete addition of three levels to its visitor parking garage for an additional 225 parking spaces. Work on a new staff parking garage on St. John Street began in the fall of 2018, and it is expected to be operational in 2020.

When that garage is complete, the old staff garage at the corner of Gilman and Congress Streets can be deconstructed, a process expected to take roughly six months. When that site is cleared, MMC can begin construction of its new six-story medical building fronting Congress Street, expected to begin in 2020 and be complete in 2022.

For more information and to receive regular updates on the MMC Modernization project's progress, please visit www.mmc.org/modernization.

Cutline: An artist's rendering of the new medical office building proposed for Scarborough. Courtesy MMC.

About Maine Medical Center

Maine Medical Center (MMC), recognized as a Best Regional Hospital by U.S. News and World Report for 2018-2019, is a complete health care resource for the people of Greater Portland and the entire state, as well as northern New England. Incorporated in 1868, MMC is the state's largest medical center, licensed for 637 beds and employing nearly 8,700 people. MMC's unique role as both a community hospital and a referral center requires an unparalleled depth and breadth of services, including an active educational program and a world-class biomedical research center. As a nonprofit institution, Maine Medical Center provides nearly 23 percent of all the charity care delivered in Maine. MMC is part of the MaineHealth system, a growing family of health care services in northern New England. For more information, visit www.mmc.org.

About Maine Medical Partners

Maine Medical Partners (MMP) is the largest network of primary care and specialty practices in Maine with more than 50 practice and outreach locations across Maine and New Hampshire. Maine Medical Partners is a department of Maine Medical Center and part of the MaineHealth system, a growing family of health care services in northern New England. For more information, visit www.mainemedicalpartners.org.

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