

# Clinical BRAC Monthly Update

### May 2010

The CBRAC Monthly Leadership Update provides news and information on the progress of the Clinical BRAC Program. The market updates for the National Capital Region (NCR), San Antonio Military Medical Center (SAMMC) and Medical Command Headquarters Collocation (Business Plan 198) components are below.

#### National Capital Region (NCR)

The construction of Building A (Ambulatory Care) and Building B (Inpatient Care) at the future WRNMMC Bethesda continues to progress on schedule. The completion percentages are: Building A 90%, Building B 89%, Patient Parking Garage 99%, Central Utility Plant 85% and Building 17 4%. Both Building 62 and Building 17 have 100% design completions this month.

Construction of the new Ft. Belvoir Community Hospital is 60% complete, and continues on all eight buildings. On the main hospital building (Oaks Pavilion), podium exterior sheathing continues, with completion expected in June 2010.

#### San Antonio (SAT)

On 17 May 10, construction was completed on the Fort Sam Houston (FSH) Primary Health Clinic (PHC). Furniture and equipment procurement is underway and outfitting will continue through the months of June and July.

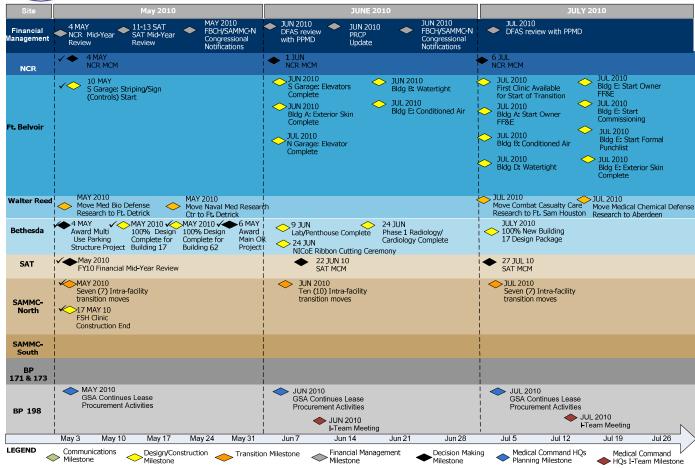
Two inter-facility moves occurred in May 2010 including Neurosurgery from Wilford Hall (WHMC) to Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC) and Plastic Surgery from BAMC to WHMC. Four intra-facility transition moves were completed in May 2010 including Soldiers in Transition (SIT) Physical Therapy to Bldg 1385 and Nutrition Care to 2nd floor, 5th floor and Lower level.

#### **Medical Command Headquarters Collocation (BP 198)**

The lease procurement is underway with General Services Administration (GSA) to select a site for the Medical Command Headquarters (MCHQ). The lease facility will collocate personnel from TRICARE Management Activity, Health Affairs, and the three Service Medical Departments to a single site in Northern Virginia within 4 miles driving distance of an existing Metrorail station. More information will be publicly available once the lease is awarded.



### **Milestones and Accomplishments**



#### Ft. Belvoir Hospital, 15 May 10



SAMMC-N Consolidated Tower, 20 May 10



#### National Capital Region (NCR)

- WRNMMC: Preliminary punchwork for Building A Level 2 is 90% complete.
- WRNMMC: The Main OR Project and the Multi Use Parking Structure Project has been awarded this month.
- FBCH: South Garage Striping/Sign (Controls) San Antonio (SAT)
- TMA and the Clinical BRAC PIO visited San Antonio from 11 May to 14 May, touring the construction sites of the FSH Clinic, the Central Energy Plant and the Consolidated Tower.
- Construction was completed on the FSH

started on the ground level on 10 May 10.

 FBCH: The Northern Regional Medical Command (NRMC) Headquarters and Dental Clinic contract was awarded on 4 May 10.

Clinic on 17 May 10.

 30 Apr 10, Maj. Gen. David Rubenstein was sworn in to command the US Army Medical Department Center and School and serve concurrently as the Chief of the Army Medical ServiceCorps.

#### Medical Command Headquarters Collocation (BP 198)

- The Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Joint Basing is routing a letter for approval, which is intended to ensure that the House Committee is informed that timely approval of the prospectus is critical to meeting the BP 198 timeline.
- The Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) Joint Basing is routing a letter for approval, which is intended to ensure awarded.
   Congressional approval of the lease prospectus is required before a lease may be awarded.



## **Spotlight and Major Event**

#### Spotlight: Dave Parks, Senior Movement Planner, SAMBIO

Dave Parks joined the SAMBIO team in November 2007 as the first genuine Movement Planner. Because of his dedication to the job and successful support of move coordination activities for SAMBIO he was promoted to Senior Movement Planner in March 2009. He now supervises a professional team of four that provide movement planning support for SAMBIO. Dave and his team have executed over 125 transition and end-state moves for the San Antonio Military Medical Center project since 2007. Dave has to work with a compressed schedule on evenings and weekends to maintain minimal clinical and business disruption while physically relocating clinics and administrative services. He deals with complex moves that often involve the movement of very expensive, delicate medical equipment, computer components and other sensitive materials. His dedication to extreme customer satisfaction and willingness to do whatever it takes makes him a highly valuable member of SAMBIO. He is strongly motivated by his faith and the ability to serve those who proudly serve!



Dave proudly served 27 years in the Air Force where he specialized in Aircraft Maintenance, Logistics Planning and spent time at various bases, including time at Phu Cat Airbase, South Vietnam as a military advisor. Prior to his position at SAMBIO, he spent 5 years at University Hospital where he was Operations Manager of the three Cardiac Catheterization labs and was Senior Administrative Assistant for Newborn Services to include the Newborn Nursery and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Dave is also a Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Certified A & P Aircraft Mechanic.

His hobbies include; camping with his family, traveling, and racing stock cars. Dave was the 2003 "Rookie of the Year" for the Texas Pro Sedans based in San Antonio

### Major Event: NCR Comprehensive Master Plan Submitted to Congress

The comprehensive master plan (CMP), submitted 23 Apr 2010, Proposed Future Vision of Central Comprehensive provides sufficient world-class military medical facilities information and an integrated system of healthcare delivery plan for the National Capital Region (NCR). The CMP provides the framework and specific action plans for world-class military medical hospitals and an integrated system of healthcare delivery for the NCR. Details concerning the realignment of Walter Reed Army Medical Center, construction of a new community hospital and a dental clinic at Fort Belvoir, and an expansion of the National Naval Medical Center (NNMC) in Walter Reed National Medical Military Center (WRNMMC) are outlined.

With few exceptions, the Defense Health Board (DHB) panel found the plans for FBCH to meet the new statutory, world-class medical facility standard. The Department has also made substantial progress in addressing the panel's recommendations for WRNMMC.

By the completion of Medical BRAC construction in the NCR, WRNMMC, Be- Major Event Courtesy of Col Bulick, JTF thesda and FBCH will be fully operational hospitals with many of the attrib-

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utes necessary to meet the new statutory, world-class standard. To meet the DHB world-class standards, WRNMMC has injected \$65M into the expansion of the existing operating rooms (ORs).



KENS5 San Antonio: Pediatrics moves from Wilford Hall to BAMC as part of BRAC, 13 May 10

It's a move that's been years in the making. The first of many inpatient services has shifted from Wilford Hall Medical Center to Brooke Army Medical Center as part of the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) law. At BAMC, specialists treat the smallest of patients. Many of them have big medical needs. They are the children being cared for in the new 16,000 square foot pediatrics wing on the fifth floor. "This is a beautiful area," [one mother] commented. "So much newer and offering probably higher tech equipment for the staff [than Wilford Hall]. ... "It's wonderful," said Dr. Maggie Pelszynski, U.S. Air Force. "It's much larger, square footage. We have the most up-to-the-date state-of-the-art monitors for our patients."

The pediatrics ward is staffed for 16 patients now with a capacity for 24. In the intensive care unit, it's staffed for six patients and can go up to eight. Children of active or retired military of all service branches will be treated here.

"The biggest challenge for us was literally moving a lot of the equipment," explained Dr. Ronald Prauner, U.S. Army. "We brought a lot of the equipment from Wilford Hall

Baltimore Business Journal: Good BRAC news, bad BRAC news, 24 May 10.

(One) federal agency moving from Arlington, Va., to Fort George G. Meade in Anne Arundel County will be bringing significantly more workers with it than initially expected. That might be good news for home builders and real estate agents near Fort Meade. But it's not so great for job seekers. Simply put, that means fewer opportunities for the Defense Information Systems Agency to hire local talent as it packs its bags and heads north

DISA now expects to keep as much as 75 percent of its 4,300 workers as it moves its headquarters here by summer 2011, said Bob Leib, Anne Arundel County's top executive overseeing the military's Base Realignment and Closure plan that's bringing DISA to the county. Leib, at a Maryland Military Installation Council meeting Monday morning, said the agency's move is ahead of schedule, and it expects to have completed its relocation by July 2011.

<u>San Antonio Express News:</u> Air Force role remains crucial at Port San Antonio, 13 May 10

In April, Terry Yonkers, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Installations and the Environment, visited San Antonio to see the military branch's work in the region first-hand...Yonkers applauded the high level of mutual support between the Air Force and the community. He specifically pointed to Port San Antonio's development of the former Kelly AFB as an important example of cooperation in achieving BRAC success. It was also a reminder that, despite Kelly's closure, Air Force commitment to ensure the site's future growth never wavered.

The Daily Record: Maryland builders banking on BRAC bonanza, 23 May 10

Many...[are[ frustrated because their attempts to gain a foothold in the BRAC housing and retail market had been thwarted by the bureaucracy of the military and economic constraints of the recession. "There are endless possibilities," said Bernie D'Aleo, a project manager for Modu Tech Builders of Baltimore. "The real issue for us contractors is how do we get into that 'club' and get to these housing projects." Retired Marine Corps Brigadier Gen. Mike Hayes detailed the BRAC expansion and the eventual addition of up to 60,000 new jobs to Maryland. Hayes is the chief liaison between the military and local businesses and elected officials for the BRAC effort.

# **Building for the Future**

The pictures below represent the future facilities (from left to right) of the San Antonio Military Medical Center North (SAMMC-N) Consolidated Tower (CoTo), the Ft. Belvoir Community Hospital (FBCH) and the Walter Reed National Military Medical Center (WRNMMC). Once completed, these medical facilities will provide leading, world class healthcare to all service members and their families.







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