## New Baptist Hospital Construction Update May 2023

The behavioral health unit (BHU) on the new Baptist Hospital campus will be like no other in the Northwest Florida region. Reflecting our goal to create a relaxing serene environment to optimize healing, the 72-bed unit will allow us to provide ageappropriate inpatient behavioral health treatment for adults, senior patients, adolescents and children in spaces specially designed for their needs.

- Expansive exterior windows will infuse patient care areas with natural light that is known to play a crucial role in healing.
- Soothing colors throughout have been thoughtfully selected for their calm, restful effect.
- Day rooms will provide comfortable space for group gatherings.
- Patients will enjoy access to secure outdoor areas including gardens, a basketball court and a children's playground.
- Sensory tools throughout the BHU along with a dedicated sensory room will help patients, particularly children, learn to self-regulate their behavior and improve focus.
- Technology unmatched in the region provides the highest level of patient rounding and monitoring capabilities available.

The BHU is separate from the main hospital to ensure the highest level of privacy and safety. Much of the exterior work is nearly complete and interior construction is well underway.

In the main hospital, major medical equipment is being installed, and building systems all across campus are undergoing testing. Painting and other finishes will soon be completed. We remain on track for our opening this coming fall! Follow our journey at **ebaptisthealthcare.org**.











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