

Wright-Patterson AFB Medical Center Renovation



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The Medical Center Complex at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base is undergoing a major renovation.

Fourth and Fifth floors completed

The Mental Health and Medical Command departments have now moved into their new spaces on the fourth and fifth floors after they were completely gutted and new spaces were built to better accommodate them. Both departments had offices spread out all over the Medical Center and now they are consolidated to their own floors.

“This was an important part of this renovation project to consolidate departments to be more effective and efficient in their operations,” said Jeremy Cobb, USACE Resident Engineer.

Both departments have been in Temporary Swing Space trailers since January 2012, and after more than two years they moved into their new renovated spaces on June 2, 2014.

“The re-location of the Executive Staff of the Medical Center was smoothly executed,” said Col. Penelope Gorsuch, Deputy Commander, Wright-Patterson Medical Center. “The staff were informed well in advance of the move dates which allowed for each office area to be prepared to transition back the main building in the new Command Section.

The Mental Health Department on the fourth floor includes 19,700 square feet of space including 51 individual provider offices, two shared provider offices, a psychological observation room, a psychological test room, a substance abuse test

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Partnering Mission

We, the Med Center Renovation Team, are committed to work together safely and effectively to renovate the WPMC to meet the current and future “train, treat and teach” requirements of the 88th Medical Group and its patients. We will use industry best practices and stealth construction to meet the project objectives on schedule, within budget and with minimal disruption to the center’s mission of delivering world-class patient care.

Mark your calendars!

SAG Meeting
Thursday
Sept. 4
8:30 a.m.

(Gov’t only: Sept. 3
1:00 p.m)



(At left) Fourth floor lobby area. (At right) Col. Stephen Higgins, Medical Command, is moved into his new office on the fifth floor.

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room, a biofeedback room, a virtual room, two group therapy rooms with modern audio and video equipment, two tech work areas, one tech triage room, a conference room/lounge, a child observation room and an elevator lobby, reception, waiting and child play areas.

On up on the fifth floor, Medical Command has moved into 18,500 square feet of space that includes 56 offices, two conference rooms and a new lobby and waiting area.

“The areas are very professionally crafted and are of an efficient design,” said Gorsuch. We received excellent support from both the contractor and our own facility staff to ensure we were back to work as soon as possible. We are already seeing the benefit of having the Command Staff back into the hospital. It was an overall positive experience.”

PDT Member Spotlight

Bill Gerard, Project Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Bill Gerard, who serves as a project engineer with USACE, performs tasks such as reviewing the Civil, Structural and Architectural submittals, responding to RFIs, preparing RFPs, negotiate and writing up modifications. This includes coordination with Construction Representatives and Facility personnel. He also serves as a Contracting Officer’s Representative on a few of the USACE WPAFB O&M projects.

Being so closely involved with the Medical Center Renovation, Bill was glad to see that the Command Section and the Mental Health departments were completed and occupied this month.

“I’m also very happy that Central Sterile was completed operational and the temporary sterilization facilities were able to be removed,” said Gerard.

In addition to his daily duties in the office, Bill has been studying for the Professional Engineers Exam. “After 31 years of government service with USACE, I recently took and passed the exam,” said Gerard. “That will allow me to dedicate some of my ‘hobby’ time to create my own business—preparation for work after retirement.”

Gerard says studying for the exam was a full time hobby after work for the past year, but worth it to reach that milestone.

“With more than 30 years service in USACE, Bill is an example of perseverance for all engineers to show that you’re never too senior to get your P.E. license and more importantly to never, ever give up,” said Kirk Dailey, Chief, Construction Division, Louisville District.

Outside of spending time studying, Bill enjoys landscaping, mowing, repairing family vehicles and playing soccer with his granddaughter. “We are motivating each other to get in better physical shape,” says Gerard.

Safety Update

-No Recordable Accidents

-Man Hours Worked - 422,505

-Equipment Hours - 4,288

5th floor Command Group Hall



4th floor reception area



Bill Gerard



Workplace
safety is our #1
priority!



Work Safely or
Hurt greatly