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Lee Health Announces Plans for New Hospital Campus in Fort Myers

The Lee Health Board of Directors approved plans to move forward in planning a new hospital campus in the City of Fort Myers. Tentatively known as "Lee Health Colonial Campus," the property will sit on 52 acres of land along Challenger Blvd. between Colonial Blvd. and Winkler Ave.

The Board of Directors approved proceeding with issuing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for architectural services, construction management and commissioning authorities as a first step in developing the hospital campus. The RFQ process

identifies well-qualified firms that wish to work with Lee Health to undertake this project.

The campus is anticipated to include an acute care hospital with 216 beds, 16 operating rooms, an emergency department with 30 emergency room bays, and a 16-bed observation unit. An observation unit allows a patient to stay in the hospital while their care team determines whether they need to be admitted or discharged. The campus will also house a complement of ancillary and social services and will include a Medical Office Building. Lee Health's data center will move to the new campus.

The permitting process for the new, state-of-the-art campus is expected to take about two years. After that portion of the project is complete, the build timeline is estimated to take an additional three years. The anticipated opening date of the campus is 2027.

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