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# Today's Reality at Oklahoma Children's Hospital

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Healthcare providers struggle to care for kids in crisis without proper expertise or facilities required to treat their complex conditions.

## IN 2007

We treated roughly  
1 to 2 patients per  
month who were  
experiencing a mental  
health crisis so severe  
they considered suicide.

## TODAY

**Our teams are  
seeing a suicidal  
pediatric patient  
during every shift.**

# A Mental Health Crisis

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1 in 5

Oklahoma kids struggle with mental or behavioral health issues like depression, anxiety, mood disorders, post-traumatic stress and other serious ailments

**Suicide is the second leading cause of death among children ages 10-24 in Oklahoma**

**20 HOURS:**

**The average time spent in Emergency Department during a mental health crisis**

33<sup>rd</sup>

Oklahoma's ranking for access to mental health services and support.





## Asked the Question

**“Where can my child go for care that stabilizes their illness and gives them a chance at a healthy, productive life?”**

**The devastating reality is - *more often than not* – there is nowhere for them to go.**

# Why Us?

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Oklahoma Children's Hospital is the only comprehensive, freestanding pediatric hospital in our state and is part of an academic medical center.

348

total beds

54,000+

Emergency department visits

13,000+

Inpatient admits



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# Called to Care – Our Commitment to Mental Health

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- As the only freestanding children's hospital in the state, we are called to care for and treat kids' most complex health challenges.
- **Our expertise thrives at the crossroads of innovation and evidence-based care** – and we believe that approach will radically improve the treatment and care coordination of these illnesses in pediatric and adolescent patients.



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*Providing world-class behavioral health care for all kids as the only resource in the state that is directly tied to a free-standing Children's Hospital.*

# 6 Elements of Care

-  Safe, Specialized Emergency Care
-  Short-Term Stabilization
-  Longer-Term Care
-  Intensive Outpatient & Partial Hospitalization Program
-  Comprehensive, Evidence-Based Therapies
-  Ongoing Patient & Family Support



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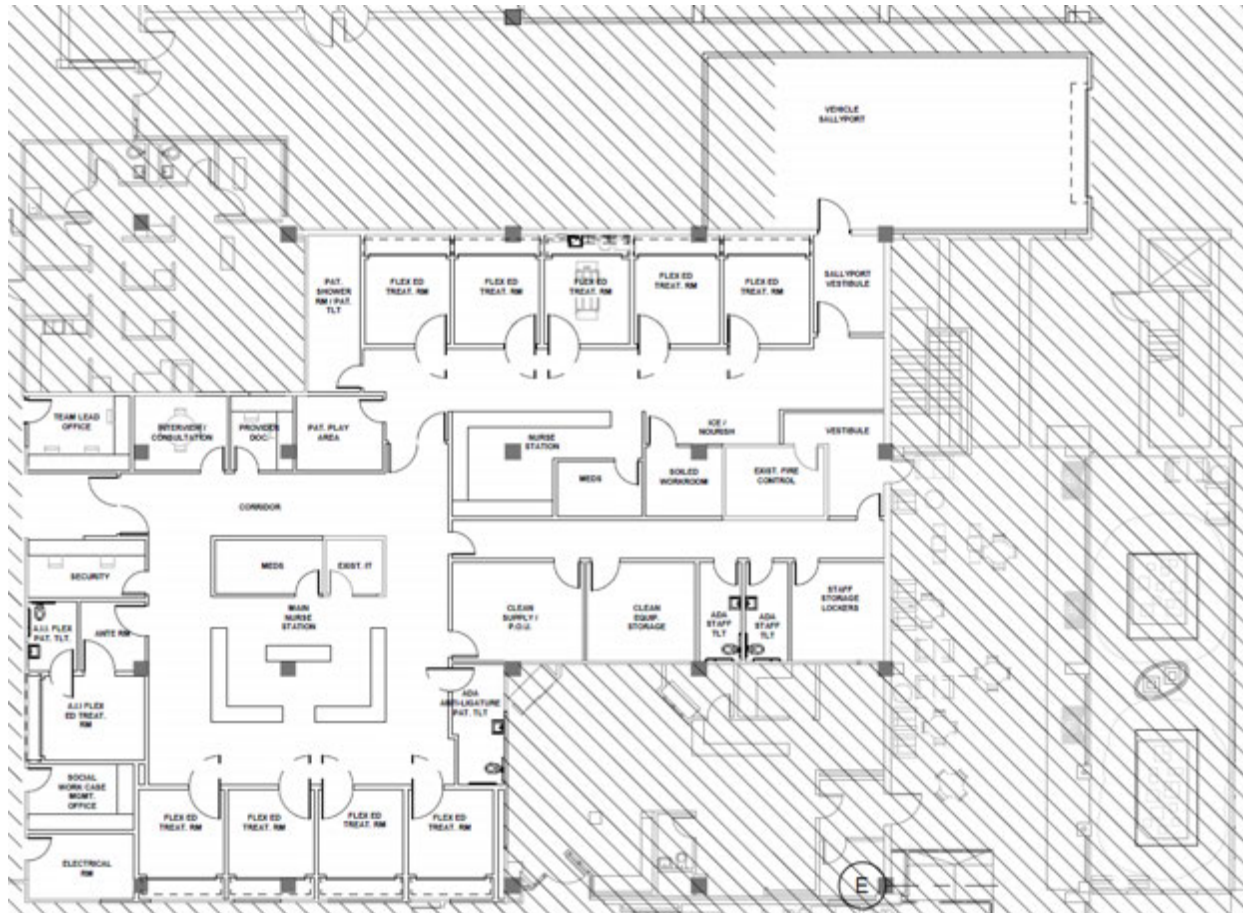





# 1. Safe, Specialized Emergency Care

The ED will be expanded to incorporate specialized flex rooms that can be safely used for behavioral health patients and provide additional amenities.

# ED Expansion



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## 2. Short-Term Stabilization

Acute Inpatient Treatment | space will help kids who are in active crisis and give them a safe, dedicated place to stay for typically up to 10 days.



### 3. Longer-Term Care

Acute II Treatment | provide therapeutic care for patients in need of continued treatment before returning home. Care in this environment will typically last up to several months.





## 4. Intensive Outpatient & Partial Hospitalization Program

Often a step down from inpatient or residential care, provides patients and families continued access to structure and treatments.



## 5. Comprehensive, Evidence-Based Therapies

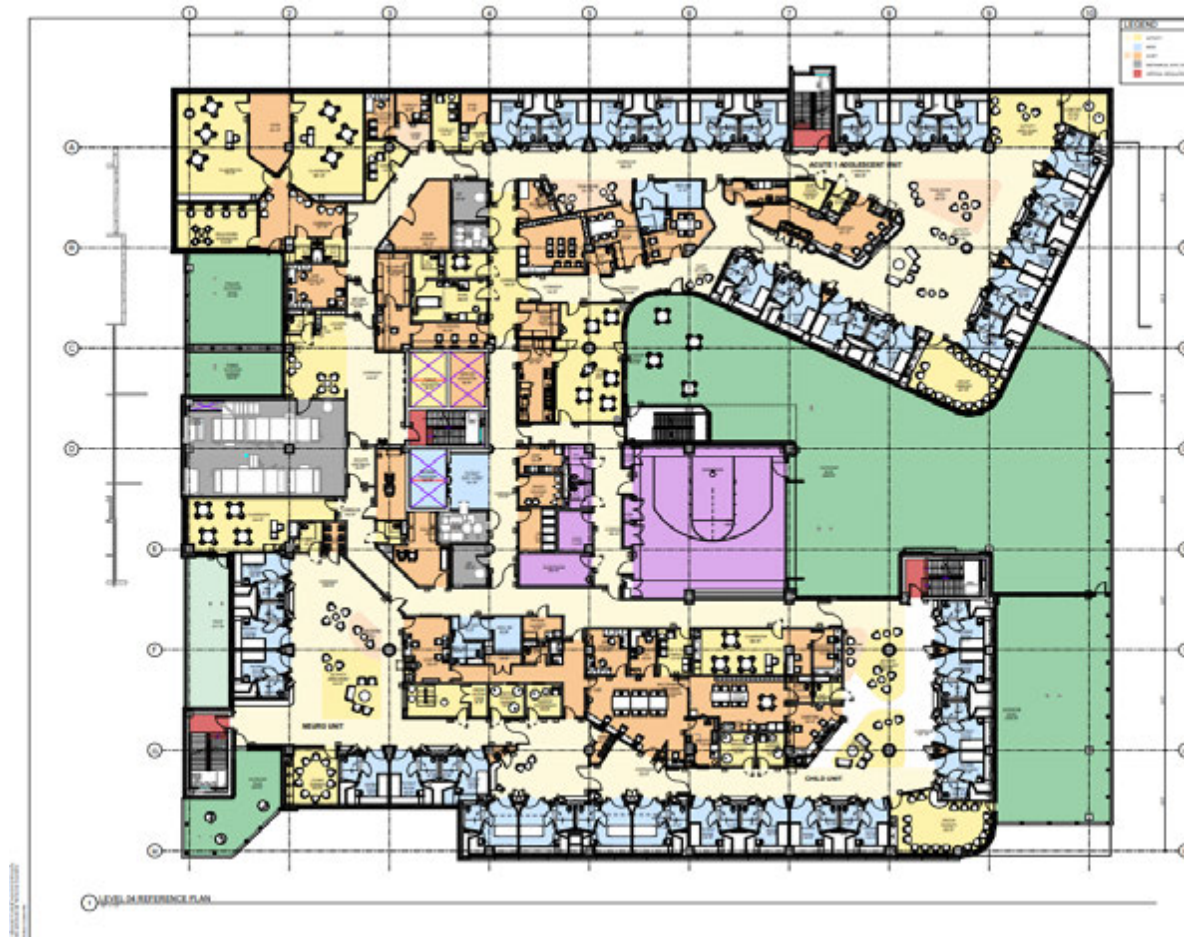
Children receiving care in the Behavioral Health Center will have access to services only a Children's Hospital can provide such as Child Life Specialists, Pet Therapy, Music Therapy, and Art Therapy all in a friendly, stigma-reducing environment.



## 6. Ongoing Patient & Family Support

A comprehensive care network of outpatient and community services will support patients and families as they transition back to their daily routines. Partnerships and connections with behavioral health providers, resources and schools in local communities will be crucial to ongoing patient success.

# The Floor Plan



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# The Entrance



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# Lobby and Welcome Center



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# Outdoor Playspace



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# Gymnasium



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# Patient Floor



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# Patient Room



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# Building the Healthcare Network

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Serve as a premier training facility for future healthcare providers in the state and nation, including psychiatrists, psychologists, behavioral health nurses, social workers and more.

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# Additional Program Pieces / What Sets Us Apart

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- Parent and caregiver involvement.
- Full spectrum of care
- Outpatient and follow-up care.
- Specialty care.
- Partnerships.

# Partnerships for Care

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## State Partners

- Oklahoma Health Care Authority
- Oklahoma Dept. of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
- Oklahoma Juvenile Affairs
- State Dept. of Education
- Oklahoma Dept. of Human Services
- OU Health Sciences Center

## External Partners

- Oklahoma City Public Schools, other districts
- Statewide county detention centers
- Rural and urban hospitals and outpatient/clinical providers
- Community organizations and philanthropic entities



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# The Funding Model

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- **Cost: approximately \$120 million**
- Oklahoma Children's Hospital is partnering with public and private entities to help. Several public partners have stepped forward with significant initial funding, including:
  - **Oklahoma State Legislature**
  - **University Hospital Authority and Trust (UHAT)**
  - *In addition, UHAT requested American Rescue Plan (ARPA) funds to help complete this project. Pending approval fall 2022.*
- **Total projected committed and anticipated funding from public sources - \$83 million.**
- **Remaining \$35 million from philanthropy.**

# Behavioral Health Center: Project Timeline

## Construction

- **Winter 2022**  
*Remediation begins*
- **Winter 2022/Spring 2023**  
*Structural demolition*
- **Winter 2022**  
*Construction documents received*
- **Spring 2023**  
*Construction commences*
- **Winter/Spring 2025**  
*Fully operational*

## Recruitment

- **Clinicians – ongoing**  
*Psychiatrists, psychologists, NPs, LCSWs*
- **Leadership – 2023**  
*Directors, managers, charge nurses*
- **Clinical Staff – late 2024**  
*Behavioral health RNs, health technicians, social workers, case managers*
- **Support Staff – early 2025**  
*Protective services officers, clinical staff, expressive therapists, teachers, other*



# Thank you

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