

Erland selected to construct building for EMD Serono - the project will meet LEED and WELL building standards

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Billerica, MA Erland Construction was selected to provide preconstruction services for EMD Serono's new 146,000 s/f, mixed-use building on their growing campus. The addition of this amenity-focused building will shape the advancement of specialty pharmaceuticals and patient care provided by the global healthcare company. With an emphasis on sustainability and employee welfare, the new facility will be designed and constructed to meet LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) and WELL building standards. The building will promote energy efficiency, focus on water usage and air quality, and incorporate a design and materials that will make a positive impact on employee health and well-being.

Features of the mixed-use facility will include lab and open-concept office space, café and servery for the campus, conference rooms, and huddle areas. The vision and purpose of this building will underscore the value EMD Serono places on fostering innovation, collaboration and loyalty among their employees, who in turn deliver meaningful solutions for patients.

"The EMD Serono and Erland relationship is based on trust and open communication. The core values we uphold at Erland align with those at EMD Serono, and this is a large factor of our ongoing partnership," said Dan Cobb, Erland's Advanced Technology and Life Sciences Group manager. "After three years of working together, Erland's ability to understand the needs of the team has been the foundation for their success. By defining expectations and understanding that everyone plays a critical role from the start, Erland ensures there's accountability at every level and helps balance the team's goals."

Extensive coordination between the Erland team and the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) will be required given the location of the project on EMD Serono's active campus. The project team will work closely with EMD Serono's facilities team to maintain access and minimize disruption to the adjacent buildings.

Construction was to start in late April, and is expected to finish by 2021.

"EMD Serono continues working to make a difference in the lives of patients and their loved ones. We are proud to be a part of their team – building environments that support their mission," said Cobb.

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