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Shepley Bulfinch to design Boston Children's Hospital Clinical Care Tower

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Shepley Bulfinch has been selected to design the new clinical care tower for Boston Children's Hospital. The 11-story, 500,000 s/f building on the Longwood Medical Area campus is the largest in the hospital's history.

The Clinical Care Tower will address the hospital's continuing growth in domestic and international patient volume and its delivery of high-level tertiary and quaternary care, adding facility space to improve patient flow and enable operational efficiencies for acute care, critical care, diagnostic, and other ancillary services on the core campus. This includes the replacement of multiple occupancy patient rooms with single patient rooms and the creation of a Heart Center of Excellence.

The project is targeting completion in early 2020.

"Designing the new Clinical Care Tower means not only meeting the hospital's current needs," said Uma Ramanathan, AIA, of Shepley Bulfinch, principal in charge of the project. "We also have to think about the next generation of pediatric clients and the future of pediatric medicine."

Boston Children's Hospital is the pre-eminent pediatric hospital in the country and the pediatric teaching hospital of the Harvard Medical School. The hospital's relationship with Shepley Bulfinch dates back more than a century to the completion of the Hunnewell Building in 1914. Shepley Bulfinch prepared a Master Plan for Boston Children's Hospital in 2014, in partnership with FKP Architects.

The Boston Children's Hospital clinical building is the latest in a number of pediatric healthcare projects for Shepley Bulfinch. The firm is working on major projects for a number of other pediatric clients, including Children's Hospital of Michigan, East Tennessee Children's Hospital, and Women and Children's Hospital of Buffalo, where the firm is completing a replacement children's hospital.

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