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National Health Care Leaders Support Washington Adventist Hospital Relocation



A group of prominent national health leaders has urged the state of Maryland to approve Washington Adventist Hospital's plans to relocate to White Oak and continue to use its Takoma Park campus for health and community services.

In a letter to the Maryland Health Care Commission, **Louis Sullivan**, M.D., former Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, **David Kessler**, M.D., former Commissioner of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and **Bill Novelli**, founder and chairman of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids write:

We heartily endorse Washington Adventist Hospital's plan to relocate the hospital while also developing health and community services on its current campus. In fact, we are going one step further: we have committed our time as founding members of the Washington Adventist Leadership Council that will provide advice and counsel to the hospital to enhance its clinical, research and public health programs. Health care reform presents opportunities to complement traditional clinical care services with a renewed focus on prevention and community-based health programs.

Read the entire letter of support at www.ExpandedHealthAccess.com.

An Update: We're Moving Forward



The state Certificate of Need (CON) process to relocate the hospital is moving forward. We recently updated our application to ensure we meet the current needs of the community, are good stewards of our resources, and plan the best possible project for our region. We're excited to share with you these updates that strengthen the project.

- Adventist HealthCare will continue to provide robust health-care services on the current Takoma Park campus, once the hospital moves including primary and urgent care services, inpatient rehabilitation services and outpatient behavioral health services.
- We identified significant cost savings. The total projected cost of the hospital relocation has been reduced by about \$70 million, bringing the total cost of the project to about \$398 million.
- We reduced the proposed inpatient beds at the new site by 39. This does not impact any services or the design of the facility but rather reflects patient care delivery efficiencies we can achieve because the relocated hospital will have all private rooms.
- The Maryland Health Care Commission will hold an evidentiary hearing on our project in a few months. This will allow us to speak directly to regulators about how the relocation will benefit the community and keep the hospital viable.

[Read more about Washington Adventist Hospital's next steps](#) in the Gazette and we invite you to [share your thoughts on the project with us](#) on our Facebook page.

Thank you for your continued support of Washington Adventist Hospital and Adventist HealthCare.

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