

Board Meeting
April 11, 2006

DESIGNATE DR. NIKHIL BHATT SINUS SURGERY LABORATORY IN THE EYE
AND EAR INFIRMARY, CHICAGO

Action: Approve Naming of the Dr. Nikhil Bhatt Sinus Surgery Laboratory in the Eye and Ear Infirmary, Chicago

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor at Chicago has recommended the naming of Room B.13 in the Eye and Ear Infirmary in recognition of gifts raised toward renovation of space used by the Department of Otolaryngology--Ear, Nose, and Throat. The space, which measures approximately 600 square feet, was renovated for use as a sinus surgery training laboratory. With a focus on minimizing construction while maximizing functionality, all work stations in the training lab are mobile, and permit the room to be used for a number of purposes, including labs and lectures.

Total costs to date are approximately \$50,000, of which 80 percent has come from private fundraising. To date, gifts and pledges in the amount of \$41,550 have been raised.

The space to be named is Dr. Nikhil Bhatt Sinus Surgery Laboratory.

Dr. Nikhil Bhatt has made a gift to the project of \$35,000. In addition, several of his friends and colleagues have donated an additional \$6,550 for the space to be named in his honor. Dr. Bhatt completed his residency at the University of Illinois

Eye and Ear Infirmary in Chicago in 1978. Dr. Bhatt has worked with UIC development officers to set up and endow the stated sinus laboratory. He has also been investigating the possibility of donating his private otorhinolaryngologist practice to UIC upon his death. Dr. Bhatt has also served the College as a clinical assistant professor in the UIC Eye and Ear Infirmary.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The President of the University concurs.