

Board Meeting
November 15, 2018

NAME THE ILLINOIS CHILDREN'S HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION PEDIATRIC
DENTISTRY AMBULATORY SURGERY CENTER, COLLEGE OF DENTISTRY,
CHICAGO

Action: Name the Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation Pediatric
Dentistry Ambulatory Surgery Center

Funding: No New Funding Required

The Chancellor, University of Illinois at Chicago, and Vice President, University of Illinois recommends the naming of the College of Dentistry's Pediatric Dentistry Ambulatory Surgery Center in recognition of Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation's \$2,000,000 grant to support the cost of demolition, construction, and equipping of the Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC). The remaining \$1,000,000 of construction costs will be covered by multiple private foundations and University resources.

The Department of Pediatric Dentistry at the College of Dentistry is the largest provider of dental care for underserved children in the State of Illinois, with a large proportion of patients coming from the Cook County area and northern/western counties. Because of the dental professional shortage areas in Illinois, the Department receives an average of 50 to 70 daily referrals from all over the state for children in need of dental care, in addition to the almost 9,000 active pediatric patients currently served.

These are children at the highest risk for severe early childhood caries and many need dental care under General Anesthesia (GA) for many reasons, including a language barrier or a visual or auditory impairment that makes communication with the dental team very challenging during dental care or extensive dental needs stemming from a dysfunctional family life that may pose a barrier to return for regular dental care in the office (incarcerated parents, frequent moves due to foster care, neglectful caretakers, etc.).

Construction of the ASC will provide an innovative, progressive solution to address three areas of concern for our patient population: patient care experience, overall population health, and cost. The project will physically expand the existing GA services to include two 227-square-foot GA suites and five 147-square-foot procedure rooms in a renovated area of the first floor of the College of Dentistry to serve approximately 1,470 patients a year, an increase of 568 percent in the number of children treated. This will help alleviate the wait list of more than 1,300 children and special needs patients who need GA services.

The anticipated timeline for the project from approval to completion is approximately 18 months. Construction is anticipated to be completed in December 2019.

The Illinois Children's Healthcare Foundation (ILCHF) was founded in 2002 with the sole purpose of addressing the health needs of children across Illinois. The ILCHF focuses its grant making on identifying and funding solutions to the barriers that prevent children from accessing the ongoing health care they need, with a primary focus

on children's oral health and children's mental health. The ILCHF began its support of UIC's College of Dentistry in 2014 with a generous grant of \$625,000 to remodel the Department of Pediatric Dentistry reception area and two dental operatories.

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.