

Banner Health and Select Medical break ground on West Valley physical rehab hospital

Facility opens next year



PEORIA, Ariz. (April 30, 2019) — Banner Health and Select Medical are on a mission of making health care easier, so life can be better for patients in the West Valley. Both organizations broke ground on the new Banner Rehabilitation Hospital – West in Peoria on April 25. Located at 12740 N. Plaza Del Rio Blvd., the three-story, 56-bed hospital will open to patients next year.

Rehabilitation patients or their loved ones who are suffering from a spinal cord injury, brain injury, amputation, and neurological disorders, among other conditions, will soon benefit from the services offered at the new hospital which will be conveniently located near three other Banner Health hospitals including:

Banner Boswell Medical Center in Sun City, Banner Del E. Webb Medical Center in Sun City West, and Banner Thunderbird Medical Center in Glendale – a Level 1 Trauma Center.

In addition to officially kicking off the construction of the new facility, the groundbreaking ceremony included remarks from dignitaries from both organizations, including Becky Kuhn, chief operating officer of Banner Health, and David Chernow, president and chief executive officer of Select Medical. Peoria City Councilmember Michael Finn was also in attendance and spoke at the ceremony to lend his support to the project.

Last year, Banner Health and Select Medical announced their joint partnership that includes construction of three new acute inpatient rehabilitation hospitals in the central Phoenix, West Valley and East Valley. The rehabilitation hospital in Peoria is the second of the three planned hospitals to be built as part of that partnership. The first hospital broke ground in January in downtown Phoenix near 7th Street and McDowell Road. The last of the three hospitals, to be located at the southwest corner of 48th Street and US 60 Highway in Mesa, will break ground next year.

Headquartered in Phoenix, Banner Health is one of the largest nonprofit health care systems in the country. The system owns and operates 28 acute-care hospitals, Banner Health Network, Banner – University Medicine, academic and employed physician groups, long-term care centers, outpatient surgery centers and an array of other services; including Banner Urgent Care, family clinics, home care and hospice services, pharmacies and a nursing registry. Banner Health is in six states: Arizona, California, Colorado, Nebraska, Nevada and Wyoming. For more information, visit www.BannerHealth.com.

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Names and titles of people in pictures -

Banner Health Select Medical groundbreaking 1 (left to right):

- Ted Bolcavage, Select Medical, Vice President Operations Hospital Project Management
- Lynn Rosenbach, Banner Health, Vice President of Post-Acute Services
- Becky Kuhn, Banner Health, Chief Operating Officer
- David Chernow, Select Medical, President & CEO
- Susan Kreps, Banner Health, Market Executive - Banner Inpatient Rehabilitation
- Marjorie Bessel, MD, Banner Health, Chief Clinical Officer
- Jeff Ruskan, Select Medical, President - Inpatient Rehabilitation Division

Banner Health Select Medical groundbreaking 2 (left to right):

- Ted Bolcavage, Select Medical, Vice President Operations Hospital Project Management
- Lynn Rosenbach, Banner Health, Vice President of Post-Acute Services
- Debbie Flores, CEO, Banner Boswell and Banner Del E. Webb medical centers

- Marjorie Bessel, MD, Banner Health, Chief Clinical Officer
- Mona Mhatre, DO, Medical Director of Inpatient Rehab Program at Banner Del E. Webb Medical Center
- Becky Kuhn, Banner Health, Chief Operating Officer
- David Chernow, Select Medical, President & CEO
- Susan Kreps, Market Executive - Banner Inpatient Rehabilitation
- Councilman Michael Finn, City of Peoria
- Justin Statt, DO, Medical Director of the Inpatient Rehab Program at Banner Boswell Medical Center
- Jeff Ruskan, Select Medical, President - Inpatient Rehabilitation Division
- Dan Blaker, Select Medical, Vice President Design and Construction

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