

Pomerleau works “hand in hand” to support patient care

Cornwall Community Hospital’s \$113 million capital redevelopment project on schedule with thoughtful planning, co-operation and co-ordination



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The Cornwall Community Hospital's renovation and expansion, with a \$113 million total project cost and an \$81 million construction cost, is on schedule. Well into Phase II of a three phase, five-year project, construction work has to be co-ordinated carefully as the hospital continues to serve patients.

Alan Greig, the hospital's vice-president of support services, describes Phase I as preparing the site through infrastructure efforts and electrical updating to support the 90,000 sq. ft. addition, Phase II as the construction of the addition, now about 80 per cent complete and Phase III as the original tower's internal renovation, expected to be completed early in 2014.

The hospital, which sees more than 50,000 emergency room patients annually, remains fully operational through the construction, a feat achieved through the efforts of Pomerleau project manager MHPM Project Management Inc., and Stantec Architecture, Greig said.

"The management and co-ordination of an active hospital is tricky," he said. "Through an excellent management team comprised of hospital and MHPM staff and the hard work of Stantec Architecture Ltd. and Pomerleau, construction is going well and the hospital is able to do what it needs to do."

"Our company specializes in complex hospital projects," says Diego Moretten, principal with Stantec, the prime consult-

ants in charge of design and construction management for Cornwall Community Hospital. "Phasing and sequencing are always critical in a project such as this."

The existing 1957 hospital tower will be renovated with significant upgrades to the exterior envelope and mechanical and electrical systems that will improve thermal performance and bring the hospital to current energy consumption standards.

Moretten says one of the project's focuses has been giving the hospital a new public face and the amalgamation of prime technology services into the new wing. "The Hospital will see new state-of-the-art

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operating theaters, day surgery emergency and diagnostic imaging departments as well as a new main entrance and amenity spaces such as a library and cafeteria. It really changes the way the public will experience the hospital.”

Of even greater importance than energy targets and thermal performance is the emphasis given to creating a healing environment for patients, families and staff. The new hospital is designed to support the lat-

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est advances in technology in a daylight, and comforting environment.

Pomerleau project manager Bernard Roy says the contractor has been careful to consider the staff and patient environment. "There is a Canadian standard for construction or renovations in a hospital setting which must be followed but we try to go beyond that to ensure we disrupt the environment as little as possible."

Roy says some of these extra considerations may involve working a night shift so centres that are busy during the day but closed at night can be managed without disruption.

At present, Pomerleau is co-ordinating approximately 160 on-site tradespeople and



who end up buying local materials, renting local equipment, staying at hotels, eating in restaurants, buying gas, etc."

Roy says a co-operative approach is the only way to get a project of this scope and complexity done and he is pleased that is exactly what is happening. "We want to be an active partner in every project we are involved with. Yes, we will identify problems but we will also come up with possible solutions. That is hand-in-hand and how things get done."

Moretton agrees collaboration is key. "Stantec, Pomerleau, MHPM and the hospital have a robust team on site working together to a mutual goal which will ensure the project success and patient needs every step of the way."



supervisors, not counting consultants or off-site staff. The project's scope requires much co-ordination and scheduling. Roy indicates Pomerleau specializes in complex projects and the company is adept at working with all stakeholders, partners and the client to ensure there are as few surprises as possible.

The project's scale requires trades based in Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto, but Roy says local companies have been used and out-of-town contractors have hired locally.

"Supporting the local economy is important," he said. "This is a big project and bringing a lot to the region through trades



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