

What's New

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BE&K Building Group Celebrates Groundbreaking for Children's Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama

Last month, the BE&K Building Group participated in a formal groundbreaking ceremony for the new Benjamin Russell Hospital for Children in Birmingham, Alabama. The city's mayor gave the keynote address and the event was well attended by building donors. The BE&K Building Group's Nashville office is providing preconstruction and construction services for the freestanding pediatric medical facility as part of a joint-venture with Birmingham-based Hoar Construction. The construction contract awarded by project owner Children's Health System is valued at \$275 million.



The former structure was demolished in preparation for the new construction. The centerpiece of the groundbreaking ceremony was a freshly sodded area within the footprint of the building which prominently displayed a red-painted Children's Hospital logo. Here, standing on the logo, some of the children who have been cared for by Children's Hospital in the past, had the honor of ceremonially placing the first shovels.

The new 763,495-square-foot Benjamin Russell Hospital for Children is designed to accommodate 283 beds. The architect is HKS Inc., in association with Giattina Aycock Architecture Studio. The project is registered with the U.S. Green Building Council with the objective of achieving LEED Silver certification.

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