

April 23, 2025

TO: Members of the Board of Trustees

FROM: Andrew C. Agwunobi, MD, MBA

Executive Vice President for Health Affairs and CEO of UConn Health

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Executive Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer

RE: Project Budget for the UConn Health Emergency Department Low Acuity

Expansion (Design: \$1,350,000)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board of Trustees approve the Design Budget in the amount of \$1,350,000 as detailed in the attached project budget for the UConn Health Emergency Department Low Acuity Expansion Project.

RESOLUTION:

"Be it resolved that the Board of Trustees approve of the use of \$1,350,000 from UConn Health Capital for the UConn Health Emergency Department Low Acuity Expansion Project."

BACKGROUND:

This project aligns with UConn's 2024-2034 Strategic Plan because it will promote and improve the Wellness of People and Planet by renovating a portion of the existing Emergency Department Waiting and Administrative area to create a low acuity patient treatment area to help address overcrowding. Adding approximately eight (8) low acuity patient treatment bays will reduce costs and wait times by providing treatment spaces that could be used exclusively for "vertical" or chair/recliner-centric patients in smaller patient-friendly, medically appropriate treatment spaces, freeing up existing treatment rooms for "horizontal" higher acuity patients.

The Design Budget is attached for your consideration. The Design Budget is based on consultant estimates and may change based upon actual bids received. This Design Budget was approved by the UConn Health Board of Directors at their meeting on March 10, 2025.

Attachments

CAPITAL PROJECT BUDGET REPORTING FORM

TYPE BUDGET: DESIGN

PROJECT NAME: UCONN HEALTH EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT LOW ACUITY

EXPANSION

BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	APPROVED PLANNING 9/25/2024	PROPOSED DESIGN 4/23/2025
CONSTRUCTION DESIGN SERVICES TELECOMMUNICATIONS FURNITURE, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION OTHER AE SERVICES (including Project Management) ART RELOCATION ENVIRONMENTAL INSURANCE AND LEGAL MISCELLANEOUS	\$ 400,000 99,000 30,000 520,000 - - - - - - 1,000	\$ 475,000 99,000 30,000 520,000 - - - - - - 1,000
SUBTOTAL	\$ 1,050,000	\$ 1,125,000
PROJECT CONTINGENCY	210,000	225,000
TOTAL BUDGETED EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,260,000	\$ 1,350,000
SOURCE(S) OF FUNDING*		
UCONN HEALTH CAPITAL FUNDS	\$ 1,260,000	\$ 1,350,000
TOTAL BUDGETED FUNDING	\$ 1,260,000	\$ 1,350,000

^{*} This budget reflects the University's current intended source(s) of funding for the specified project. The University may adjust this funding plan in order to ensure compliance with applicable federal and state law(s) or to strategically utilize all fund sources, within the approved budget amount, as appropriate.

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Low Acuity Treatment Area Example Concept