

## **Q&A about Mercy NWA Expansion**

### **About the overall project**

**What is the total cost of expansion?** \$247 million

**Will the expansion add new jobs?** Yes. It's expected 1,000 new health care jobs will be created as a result of the hospital expansion and building of new clinics. This includes physicians, advanced practitioners, nurses and other health care workers.

### **About the hospital expansion**

**When will construction begin on the new patient tower?** December 2016 or January 2017.

**What is the square footage of the tower?** About 190,000 square feet.

**Where will the tower be built?** The site is west of the current hospital building.

**Will that eliminate parking?** Yes, but construction is about to begin on a new 500-space lot.

**How many beds will be added?** Initially 100. That will bring the total number beds at the hospital to about 300.

**Who is the general contractor?** McCarthy (mccarthy.com)

**Who is the architect?** Bates (batesarchitects.com)

**Who is the civil engineer?** Crafton Tull (craftontull.com)

**What other details are known about construction?** The contractors plan to hire local subcontractors as much as possible.

### **About the new clinics**

**How many new clinics will be constructed?** Four clinics are planned in the near future; three more are planned long-term.

**Where are those four clinics located?** Two in Bentonville (north and southwest), one in Pea Ridge and one in west Bella Vista.

**When will construction begin for the clinics?** Construction will begin soon on the two clinics in Bentonville.