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TOP STORIES

Hospital Margins Rebound, But Some Left Behind

Nonprofit hospital margins hit 4.3% in April, up 33% year over year. But while hospital margins are growing overall, so too is the gap between the highest and lowest performing hospitals. Source: **Becker's Hospital CFO Report**, **Kaufman Hall**

Kaiser Permanente Unloading \$3.5B in Private Equity Stakes

In 2022, Kaiser Permanente was one of the largest investors in private equity firms—it's those assets it is now selling off, two years later.

Source: Health Exec

HHS to Invest \$15M in Rural Maternal Health

Nearly \$8 million will be invested through the Rural Maternity and Obstetrics Management Strategies Program to improve maternal health in rural communities. An additional \$7 million will help launch a program focused on strengthening maternal care and reducing disparities in the Delta region.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, HHS



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MERGERS, ACQUISITIONS, AND PARTNERSHIPS

Jefferson and Lehigh Valley Health Network to Merge

Jefferson and Lehigh Valley Health Network recently reached a definitive agreement to merge, establishing a leading integrated academic health care system. This new entity will rank among the top 15 non-profit health systems in the United States.

Source: Fierce Healthcare, DOTmed, MyChesCo

UPMC, Washington Health Complete Merger

Pittsburgh-based UPMC has finalized its acquisition of Washington (Pa.) Health System one year after the two health systems announced plans to affiliate.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, Fierce Healthcare, Central Penn Business Journal, UPMC

Oregon Hospital Systems Reach Merger Agreement

Nearly a year after they signed a letter of intent to merge, Oregon Health & Science University and Legacy Health have reached a definitive agreement to come together under the banner of OHSU Health.

Source: Chief Healthcare Executive, Axios, Becker's Hospital Review

New Jersey Health System Merger Gets Green Light

The New Jersey Superior Court has approved Cape Regional Health System and Cooper University Health Care's plan to merge. The combined health system will have two hospitals, 130 ambulatory sites and almost 11,000 employees.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Chief Healthcare Executive, NJBiz

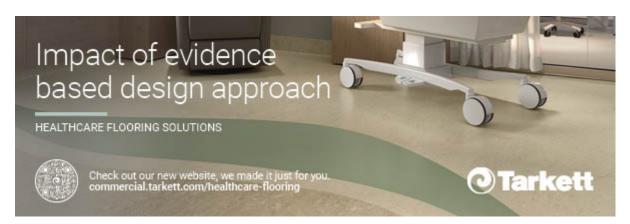
One of N.J.'s Last Independent Hospitals Headed for Merger with Health Chain

Saint Peter's Healthcare System in New Brunswick, N.J. — operator of one of the last independent hospitals in New Jersey — has formed a partnership with Atlantic Health System, with the intent of becoming part of the Morristown-based chain.

Source: NJ.com

Stayton, Ore.-based Santiam Hospitals and Clinics have signed a nonbinding letter of intent with Corvallis, Ore.-based Samaritan Health Services to merge. The letter will allow both parties to examine an affiliation, with a goal of Santiam Hospital and Clinics joining Samaritan Health Services.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Chief Healthcare Executive, Samaritan Health Services



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ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY

Two-Sided Green: How 4 Health Systems are Saving Money with Renewable Energy

Hospitals are seeking to offset their expenses any way they can, and some are taking a "two-sided green" approach — meaning pursuing renewable energy initiatives that will save money in the long run. These hospitals are on track to save millions, and some already have.

Source: MedCityNews

NY Launches Climate Action Program to Make Hospitals Carbon-Free by 2050

Under a voluntary pilot program, NYSIF-insured hospitals who pledge to reduce their carbon emissions and improve resiliency will receive credits of up to \$1 million to plan and implement climate action plans.

Source: New York State

TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION

Henry Ford Health Inks Tech Partnership for \$2B Tower

Detroit-based Henry Ford Health is partnering with Michigan Central to develop technology for its \$2 billion hospital tower. Henry Ford Health signed a five-year collaboration deal with Michigan Central, becoming a founding member with Google, to join a consortium aimed at developing next-generation mobility technologies.

Source: Becker's Health IT, Michigan Chronicle

Why Healthcare Organizations Are Launching Innovation Centers

An increasing number of healthcare organizations across the U.S. are opening innovation centers or hubs to develop, test and implement emerging technologies and other cutting-edge solutions to improve health quality and patient care, increase staff productivity, optimize business operations, reduce costs, and generate new revenue.

Source: HealthTech Magazine

Crescent Regional Hospital First in U.S. to Use Holograms for Patient Care

Crescent Regional Hospital has installed its first full-size 86-inch Holoconnects' Holobox hologram display and video studio, making it the first hospital in the U.S. to use Holoconnects' Holobox technology to enable doctors to "teleport" as a life-size 3D hologram and connect with patients in real-time.

Source: Healthcare Facilities Today

SAFETY & SECURITY

Healthcare Ransomware Attacks Lead to Uptick in ED Visits at Nearby Hospitals

Ransomware attacks on hospitals are known to disrupt daily operations, often resulting in ambulance diversions and canceled appointments. But a research letter published in JAMA suggests that the effects of a ransomware attack on a single hospital reach further than just the targeted hospital, affecting neighboring facilities as well.

Source: Health IT Security, Fierce Healthcare, JAMA

First Cybersecurity Certification Developed for Healthcare Facilities

To help aid in the prevention of cyberattacks, DNV has launched the first cybersecurity certification for hospitals. The Advanced Healthcare Cybersecurity Certification aims to help healthcare professionals better identify and address gaps in their security systems.

Source: Healthcare Facilities Today, Hospital Management, DNV

Hospital CEOs Meet with White House on Gun Violence Prevention

More than 80 healthcare executives attended the meeting hosted by the White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention, established in 2023. A primary focus of the meeting was to improve data-sharing on gunshot wounds.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review

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These Markets Top MOB Investment Activity

Phoenix was the top market for trailing-four-quarter MOB investment volume in the first quarter of 2024 with \$373 million, followed by Atlanta with \$366 million and Greater Washington, D.C., with \$346 million.

Source: Commercial Property Executive, GlobeSt.com, CBRE

KKR, Healthcare Realty Trust Form Venture Targeting Medical Outpatient Properties

Real estate investment trust Healthcare Realty Trust and global investor KKR have formed a joint venture to invest in and own medical outpatient buildings as healthcare systems consider how best to use property that typically accounts for a significant amount of their annual expenses.

Source: CoStar

Steward Seeking Buyers for its 31 Hospitals

After filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy earlier this month, Steward Health Care is looking for a buyer for all 31 of its hospitals and physician practices across eight states. Steward has set a bidding deadline for potential buyers of June 24, with an auction to take place June 27.

Source: Health Exec, Becker's Hospital Review

NORTHEAST

UVM Medical Center Proposes \$129M Outpatient Surgery Center

The University of Vermont Medical Center is seeking approval to build a \$129 million outpatient surgery center in South Burlington, Vt. If the certificate of need is granted, the proposed 84,000-square-foot facility could open as soon as 2026.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, NBC 5

NY System to Build Hospital Under Safety Net Transformation Program

Buffalo, N.Y.-based Kaleida Health and Dunkirk, N.Y.-based Brooks-TLC Hospital System will build a hospital in Fredonia, N.Y., as part of Gov. Kathy Hochul's safety net transformation program. The hospital, which replaces the 65-bedBrooks-TLC Hospital in Dunkirk, will be supported by \$74 million from the state.

Source: Kaleida Health, Becker's Hospital Review

Boston Medical Office Building Acquired for \$36.4M

A 10-story medical office building in Boston has been acquired for \$36.4 million, substantially less than it was sold for just three years ago. The building was purchased by real estate investors Kayne Anderson and Chicago-based Remedy Medical Properties.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, Boston Business Journal

Pennsylvania Medical Office Building Sold for \$10.5M

Sila Realty Trust recently acquired a medical outpatient building in Reading, Pa., for \$10.5 million. The two-story, 30,000-square-foot building is located on the campus of a 144-bed Tower Behavioral Health center.

Source: Becker's ASC Review

Bergen New Bridge Medical Center Begins ED Expansion

Bergen New Bridge Medical Center in Paramus, N.J., started construction on an expansion of its emergency department. The project is estimated to cost \$9 to \$10 million and is expected to be completed in 2025.

Source: Healthcare Design Magazine, New Bridge Health

Construction Begins on WellSpan's Pennsylvania Medical Campus

The new campus, expected to open in late 2025, will feature a hospital, surgery center, and medical office building.

Source: Hospital Management, Becker's ASC Review, WellSpan

8-Story Malone Family Tower to Open at Maine Medical Center

The new Malone Family Tower in Portland, Maine, is set to open and begin admitting patients at Maine Medical Center. The 300,000-square-foot, eight-story addition is the final installment in the hospital's multi-year expansion and modernization project.

Source: News Center Maine

Lancaster County Hospital Breaks Ground

East Petersburg-based Warfel Construction Company has broken ground on the Acadia Geisinger Behavioral Health Hospital in Danville, Penn. The 72,578-square-foot facility is

scheduled to be finished in the spring of 2025.

Source: Central Penn Business Journal, Healthcare Facilities Today

Skowhegan Hospital Looks to Build Medical Office Building

Redington-Fairview General Hospital has submitted a proposal to the Planning Board in Skowhegan, Maine, for a three-story, 24,000-square-foot building and expanded parking.

Source: CentralMaine.com, Becker's ASC Review

NYU Langone Opens ASC in NYC

NYU Langone Health opened a new outpatient facility near Penn Station in New York City. NYU Langone Medical Associates—Penn District is 18,000-square-foot practice housing 15 physicians.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, NYU Langone

Pennsylvania Office Building Converted to Outpatient Facility

Pennsylvania-based Mediplex Property Group has finished repurposing an existing two-story office building in King of Prussia, Pa., into an outpatient health facility. The new medical center began development in 2022, and offers 16,000 square feet of space.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, Commercial Cafe

SOUTHEAST

CareSpace Suites to Open First Shared Medical Space

Officials of CareSpace Suites, a shared workspace for medical professionals, launched the company's flagship property in Atlanta, Ga. Similar to services like WeWork, medical coworking provides an affordable environment for independent healthcare practitioners and medical professionals to care for patients, build their network, and grow their practice.

Source: Boston Real Estate Times

University of South Carolina Unveils Statewide Neurology Health Network Expansion

The University of South Carolina has begun a statewide expansion of the USC Brain Health Network, which is working with health systems to establish clinics across the state to screen people for Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

Source: SC Biz News

Atrium Health to Open \$1.5B Innovation District in '25

Charlotte, N.C.-based Atrium Health's \$1.5 billion innovation district is on target to open next year. The 20-acre downtown Charlotte project will include a new 14-story, Wake Forest University School of Medicine campus expected to welcome its first class of students in fall 2025.

Source: Becker's Health IT

Novant To Sell, Leaseback 21 Properties Across N.C.

Novant Health closed on the sale of 16 of its North Carolina properties, part of a larger, multiphased sale/leaseback transaction with Remedy Medical Properties Inc. and Kayne Anderson Real Estate.

Source: WilmingtonBiz, Charlotte Business-Journal

Piedmont Henry Hospital Begins Construction on \$212 Million Expansion

Piedmont Healthcare has begun construction on a \$212 million expansion of Piedmont Henry Hospital, in Stockbridge, Ga. The project will add a five-story bed tower that will include 96 patient rooms. It is expected to be completed by 2026.

Source: Healthcare Design, FOX 5 Atlanta, Henry Herald

Prisma Health Breaks Ground on \$128M Columbia Medical Park

Prisma Health has broken ground on a new multi-specialty ambulatory care center in Columbia, S.C. The 135,000-square-foot Northeast Columbia Medical Park will house primary and specialty care when it opens in fall 2025.

Source: SC Biz News, McMillan Pazdan Smith

Mixed-Use Health Care Development Planned for Montgomery County, MD

Baltimore-based MCB Real Estate will break ground next year on a 280-acre mixed-use healthcare development next to the Food and Drug Administration headquarters.

Source: WTOP News

Charlotte Healthcare REIT Acquires Mechanicsville Site for \$19M Office

Charlotte-based Flagship Healthcare Properties recently spent \$1 million to acquire a 7.5-acre site in Hanover County, Va., where the company is planning to build a medical office building. Source: Richmond BizSense, Becker's ASC Review

Northside Medical Opens 100,000-Square-Foot Medical Office Building

Northside Hospital has opened a 100,000-square-foot medical office building in Buford, Ga., to bring more services to fast-growing Gwinnett County.

Source: Becker's ASC Review

FLORIDA

AdventHealth Kicks Off Construction on \$423M Florida Hospital

Altamonte Springs, Fla.-based AdventHealth has begun construction on a \$423 million hospital in Lake Nona, Fla. The 10-story hospital, expected to open in 2026, will comprise 80 beds with capacity to expand to 320 beds.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Orlando Business Journal, WFTV9, DOTmed, ConnectCRE

Health First's New Hospital Achieves Liftoff

Health First broke ground on its new 120-bed, 268,000-square-foot Cape Canaveral Hospital and Medical Office Building on Merritt Island in Brevard County, Fla., in March. Construction on the estimated \$410 million project is expected to wrap in late 2026, and the hospital is slated to open to the public in early 2027.

Source: Health Facilities Management

Construction Kicks Off on \$231M HCA Hospital

HCA Florida Healthcare says construction is now underway on the new \$231 million HCA Florida Gainesville Hospital, the latest hospital planned as part of HCA's planned expansion across the state. The new hospital and medical office building is targeted to open in early 2026.

Source: Healthcare Finance, Healthcare Facilities Today, Becker's Hospital Review, South Florida Hospital News

Rehab Hospital Snags \$38M Financing to Start Construction

The 60-bed rehabilitation hospital in in Bradenton, Fla., will be managed by Nobis Rehabilitation Partners. The funding was secured through a loan from Marcus & Millichap Capital Corp., a real estate company.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Business Observer

Florida ASC, Medical Office Building Sold for \$12M

A Jacksonville, Fla.-based medical office building has sold for \$12.05 million. The 30,165-square-foot houses Jacksonville-based Coastal Health's orthopedic, spine, pain management, podiatry and physical therapy practices and an 8,000-square-foot ASC.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, Jacksonville Business Journal

MIDWEST

Avera Breaks Ground on Medical Building

Avera broke ground on a new medical office building at the Avera on Louise Health Campus in Sioux Falls, S.D. to house digestive health services and other specialties. The 127,000-square-foot building is part of a two-building project, which will together cost approximately \$245 million. Source: Avera, Becker's Hospital Review, Dakota News Now

Community Health Plan \$335M Hospital in Westfield, IN

Community Health Network says the facility is expected to be around 425,000 square feet and will feature an ambulatory surgery center, a medical office building, an emergency department, and a six-story patient tower.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, Indianapolis Business Journal, Fox 59, Indy Today

OhioHealth Building New Medical Campus in Canal Winchester

OhioHealth has announced plans to invest \$31 million into building a new medical campus in Canal Winchester, Ohio. The 40,000-square-foot facility is expected to include a freestanding emergency department and a medical office building.

Source: WBNS Columbus

Davis Healthcare Real Estate Opens 100K-SF Medical Facility

Davis Healthcare Real Estate has opened Lakeville Specialty Center, a 100,500-square-foot medical building in Lakeville, Minn. The building is fully occupied by Allina and MNGI Digestive Health.

Source: ConnectCRE, Healthcare Facilities Today

Kentucky Health System to Acquire 7th Hospital

Effective July 1, Bowling Green, Ky.-based Med Center Health will acquire Logan Memorial Hospital, a 75-bed acute care facility in Russellville, Ky., three medical office buildings on its main campus and rural health clinics.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Chief Healthcare Executive, Med Center Health

CentraCare Gets Approval for 170K-Square-Foot Minnesota ASC

St. Cloud, Minn.-based CentraCare received approval from the St. Cloud Planning Commission to add a 170,000-square-foot ASC and a 60,000-square-foot rehabilitation building to its medical plaza. Both facilities are expected to open in approximately two years.

Source: Becker's ASC Review, KNSI Radio

Ohio Community Hospital Temporarily Shuts Down

Hicksville, Ohio-based Community Memorial Hospital said it will temporarily suspend operations starting May 19. In a May 17 Facebook post, the hospital said it is pursuing all avenues to restore operations.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review

GALLERY: Progress at the New UIHC Campus

Construction at the University of Iowa Health Care campus in North Liberty, Iowa, is on track for a summer 2025 opening. The first new hospital away from the university campus features a three-story hospital, five-story medical office building, and shell space for future expansion.

Source: Corridor Business Journal

SOUTHWEST

Texas to Offer Grant to Aid Operations for Rural Operations

The Texas Rural Hospital Financial Stabilization Grant will provide hospitals \$100,000 to \$375,000 over a two-year period. Grant awards will be based on the hospital's financial need and can be used to supplement operational expenses, repay debt, make facility repairs, and buy or rent equipment.

Source: Healthcare Facilities Today

Harris Health Systems Breaks Ground on New Hospital

Harris Health System has broken ground on a new \$1.6 billion hospital on the Harris Health Lyndon B. Johnson Hospital Campus in northeast Houston. The 12-story hospital – slated to replace the aging LBJ Hospital – is set to open in 2028.

Source: Healthcare Facilities Today

Sage Memorial Hospital in Navajo Nation Constructs New Facility

Sage Memorial Hospital, a Native-managed health care system, has built a 95,614-square-foot hospital that is more than twice the size of the original hospital and will significantly increase patient capacity.

Source: AZ Mirror

UHS to Sell 80-bed Texas Hospital

Shannon Medical Center in San Angelo, Texas, has signed an agreement to acquire River Crest Hospital, an 80-bed behavioral health facility from King of Prussia, Pa.-based Universal Health Services.

Source: Becker's Hospital Review, Universal Health Services

Stockdale Capital Partners Acquires 129,382 SF Medical Office Building in Austin

Los Angeles-based investment firm Stockdale Capital Partners has acquired a five-story, 129,382-square-foot medical office building in Austin, Texas. The five-story property opened in 2023 after receiving a \$35 million construction loan in 2021.

Source: REBusiness Online, Becker's ASC Review, Commercial Property Executive, The Real Deal

Intermountain Health Breaks Ground on Facility in Las Vegas Valley

Intermountain Health broke ground on a new medical office in Clark County, Nev. The 90,000-square-foot building will offer primary care and specialty care services when it opens in 2025. **NBC3**

WEST

Sutter Health to Expand Flagship Midtown Sacramento Hospital

Sutter Health is expanding its flagship hospital in Midtown Sacramento by constructing 42 new adult inpatient rooms. The \$100 million project will begin construction in April 2025.

Source: Healthcare Facilities Today

Wyoming Hospital Breaks Ground on \$9M Lab Expansion Project

Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County, Wyo., has broken ground on a \$9 million laboratory renovation and expansion project, which will provide a new outpatient setting for the hospital's current main laboratory, curbside access and an enhanced patient experience.

Source: Sweetwater Now

MultiCare Health System Acquires Overlake Medical Center

Overlake Medical Center & Clinics will soon be part of MultiCare's statewide health care system. Clinical services and programs at the Bellevue, Wash.-based hospital will become MultiCare's flagship health system for its new North Sound service region.

Source: The Seattle Times, Becker's Hospital Review

Tenet Moves to Ink 30-Year Lease with California Hospital

Tenet Healthcare, parent company of ASC giant United Surgical Partners International, is one step closer to securing a 30-year lease for the 387-bed Desert Regional Medical Center in Palm Springs, Calif.

Source: Desert Sun, Becker's ASC Review

PMB, Santa Clara Valley Healthcare Plan 230,000 SF Medical Office Building

PMB and Santa Clara Valley Healthcare have announced plans for Valley Health Center San Jose (VHC San Jose), a 10-story medical office building in San Jose, Calif. The 230,000-square-foot facility is slated for completion in late 2025.

Source: REBusiness Online

Kaiser Permanente's Massive RivCo Expansion Celebrated in Wildomar

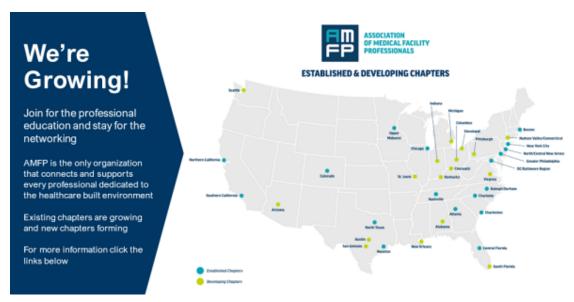
The new three-story Kaiser Permanente Medical Offices in Wildomar, Calif., have opened to the public. The 84,000-square-foot building is more than double the size of the previous Wildomar clinic.

Source: Patch

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