

**Johns Hopkins New Clinical Building Celebrates Top Out and Safety Achievements**

BALTIMORE – One of the nation’s premier healthcare facilities took a step closer to completion as the Johns Hopkins Hospital New Clinical Building topped out on October 8. During a ceremony preceding the top out, the **Clark/Banks, A Joint Venture** project team was recognized for its dedication, diligence, and outstanding safety record.

Since July 2007, the project has gone more than 435 days and 1.5 million manhours, without a lost-time injury. The project’s incident and recordable rates are far below national averages. Creating a healthy and safe work environment was a project goal from the outset. In September 2007, the project team and Maryland Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH) signed a Cooperative Compliance Partnership. Under this agreement, MOSH officials conduct periodic site inspections to evaluate safety and health program effectiveness. Additionally, the project will be used to help train new MOSH inspectors and, in turn, MOSH will provide special training for employees working on the site.

At 1.5 million square feet, the Johns Hopkins Hospital New Clinical Building is among the nation’s largest healthcare projects and includes the construction of two connected towers – one for adult cardiovascular and critical care and another for children’s care. When complete in winter 2010, the facility will

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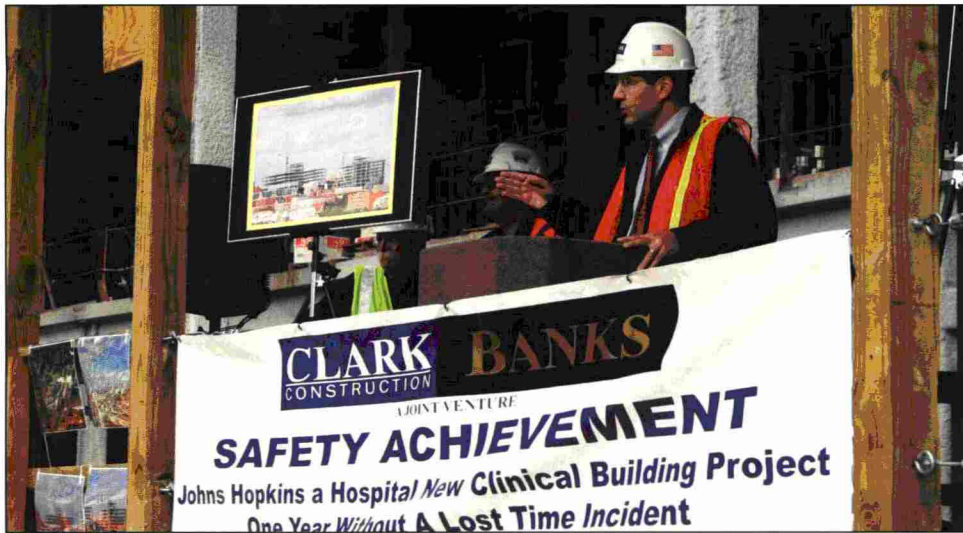
feature 560 beds (355 adult and 205 pediatric), 33 operating rooms, 42 radiological suites, 13 non-invasive treatment areas, 16 gastrointestinal and pulmonary diagnostic and treatment areas, and 96 emergency treatment areas (67 adult and 29 pediatric).

The New Clinical Building and its entry court will become the new front door for the entire Johns Hopkins Hospital campus. The hospital will help redefine the healthcare grounds and the immediate neighborhood through the

creation of a landscaped entry drive and gardens along Orleans Street. Light-filled and airy entrances at ground level, at the connecting bridge level for the adult hospital and emergency department, and at the Children’s Hospital, will offer clear arrival points and simple wayfinding for patients and families.

Clark/Banks, A Joint Venture is composed of Clark Construction Group, LLC, of Bethesda, Md., and Banks Contracting Company, Inc., of Baltimore. Additional project partners include Perkins+Will, of Los Angeles, architect; Bard, Rao + Athanas Consulting Engineers, LLC, of Boston, mechanical and electrical consultant; and Thornton Tomasetti, of Washington, D.C., structural consultant.





Clark Division President Greg Colevas addressed a crowd of workers during the topping out festivities.



Workers at the Johns Hopkins New Clinical Building site gathered to celebrate reaching a major projects milestone.