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Project Update

Request for Proposals released for RIH Patient Care Tower

KAMLOOPS – A Request for Proposals (RFP) is now in the hands of the three teams shortlisted for the Patient Care Tower Project at Royal Inland Hospital in Kamloops.

The RFP invites the shortlisted teams, EllisDon Infrastructure Healthcare, Inter River Healthcare Partners, and Plenary PCL Health, to prepare proposals based on specifications outlined by the Interior Health project team. Proposals will then be evaluated, with a contract award anticipated by fall 2018. Construction on the patient care tower would follow soon after.

The release of the RFP follows the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) stage of the selection process, which closed on July 26, 2017. The three teams were [shortlisted earlier this month](#) based on their responses to the RFQ.

The patient care tower is Phase I of the Patient Care Tower Project. Phase II of the project involves renovations to the existing hospital building, which includes expansion of the emergency department and post-anesthetic recovery department, and enhancements to the pediatric unit and the morgue. The preferred proponent will be asked to design, build, partially finance, and maintain the patient care tower for a term of 30 years post-construction. The preferred proponent will also be asked to provide design and construction management services for Phase II renovations.

The budget for the project, including both phases, is \$417 million with the province of British Columbia and Interior Health contributing \$225 million, the Thompson Regional Hospital District contributing \$172 million and the Royal Inland Hospital Foundation contributing \$20 million.

Construction on the patient care tower is expected to begin in fall 2018, with the tower opening for patients in 2022.

For more information on the Patient Care Tower Project visit www.buildingpatientcare.ca

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