

Barlow Respiratory Hospital Together Apart

LOS ANGELES (Sept 10, 2020) – Barlow Respiratory Hospital first-ever virtual event, Together Apart, is September 21st 2020. Registration is open now and includes opportunities to support the hospital's ReBuild Barlow campaign for as little as \$20. Sponsorship levels begin at \$25,000 for Capital Sponsor for those who are able to make a more substantial contribution.



"At Barlow Respiratory Hospital we look to the future with construction of our new state-of-the-art hospital building." Amit Mohan, PhD, President and Chief Executive Officer Barlow Respiratory Hospital

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Construction has begun on the hospital's plan to rebuild an adjacent, under-utilized structure. A gutrehab will transform the building from the inside out. This will be achieved without changing the hospital's external footprint and without the disruption of breaking ground for new construction and all at a much lower cost.

The new hospital will be constructed within the walls of an existing structure on the hospital's historic Los Angeles campus. It will result in a dramatic reimagining of the entire hospital interior layout to create

larger rooms and more beds with ample space for state-of-the-art medical equipment. Because a majority of the work on the project will occur within the confines of existing space, the impact on patients and families, as well as the surrounding community, will be minimal.

Completion is expected in late 2022. The current hospital facility will then be repurposed for use as administrative offices. The hospital remains open throughout the process as it has throughout the recently completed seismic retrofit.

"Our main hospital facility was built in 1927 and is too cramped to comfortably accommodate modern medical equipment, or family visits. Our patients need and deserve a facility that reflects the expert care they receive at Barlow and for which we are known. We have a long history in Los Angeles. We plan to continue our legacy of service." Amit Mohan, CEO

Barlow Respiratory Hospital is a small, stand-alone, specialty hospital, the only not-for-profit respiratory hospital in California. The main hospital building was constructed in 1927, long before current health facility building codes were written and before medical advances introduced mechanical ventilators that help critically ill patients breathe.

"At one time, we believed we had no choice but to abandon our historic hospital building.

We faced a looming deadline and concerns about how to fund new construction.

After extensive study, we determined a new way to approach the challenge and developed an innovative and cost-saving approach to Rebuild Barlow." Amit Mohan, CEO

Barlow Respiratory Hospital is a national leader in weaning patients from mechanical ventilation. Patients are typically transferred from Intensive Care Units (ICU) after a prolonged stay. The hospital is known for a unique sense of family, a culture of teamwork, kindness and caring. Like patients who survive to return to the homes and the families they love, Barlow survives to serve the community against all odds and the new hospital building ensures that will continue for

generations to come.

Small can be mighty

For over one hundred years, Barlow Respiratory Hospital has quietly gone about the business of making very sick patients well again. The hospital has survived seismic shifts in the landscape of healthcare delivery and serves as a reminder that small can be mighty, particularly in the local Los Angeles healthcare continuum. The hospital is considered one of the nation's leading Long Term Acute Care Hospitals (LTCH/LTAC) for post-ICU care of critically ill patients.

ABOUT BARLOW:

Barlow Respiratory Hospital's mission is to make a positive difference in the lives of individuals with chronic critical illnesses and complex respiratory conditions in post-acute settings. Barlow specializes in weaning patients from mechanical ventilation and treating medically complex patients with respiratory illnesses. Barlow is the only not-for-profit respiratory hospital in California. A long-term acute care hospital (LTACH), with three locations in Los Angeles County (Los Angeles, van Nuys and Whittier) Barlow Respiratory Hospital is a national leader in **Ventilator Weaning**, awarded the **Gold Seal of Approval® for Respiratory Failure Certification** by the Joint Commission and has earned Passy Muir designation as a **Center of Excellence** in the care for patients with tracheostomies.

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