Healthcare Evolves: Sustainability to Wellness

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Eventually, We Figured Out This

Enhance community, social equity, env. justice & quality of life		Reverse contribution to climate change		Enhance human health and wellbeing		Protect and restore water resources	
Build a green economy		a greener nomy	Promote sustainable and regenerative resource cycles		Protect biodiversity and ecosystem services		

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Where is the Money Going?



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Sustainability in Perspective

Sustainable design & construction *leads to a healthy building philosophy* Patients thrive in a healthy building and that *means lower operational cost* With a 4% operating margin, \$1 of energy savings = **\$25 less** *revenue* that must be produced!

Sustainability = Logical Healthcare

The healthy building concept is now:
1. The *Right* thing to do
2. The "payback" *never* stops
3. Saving operating \$ = Saving patients

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Seton Medical System Proving Sustainability Works







Environment/Employee Analysis

Compare Three Hospitals Operations
1. All within same healthcare system
2. All designed within two years time
3. WSP engineer on all projects
4. Design philosophy was different



1st LEED Platinum Healthcare Facility



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Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas MEDICAL OFFICE BUILDING

SERVICE

COMBINED COOLING/HEATING/ POWER PLANT

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HEALING GARDEN

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

MAIN ENTRANCE

NURSING UNITS

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Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas



Heat Recovery

Lighting Controls

Solar PV & Heating Water

- FIRST LEED Platinum under 2009 LEED for Healthcare
- 7,000 BGSM, 72 beds
- 57 LEED Design Phase Credits Awarded
- 86 LEED Credits Awarded Total

Courtyard

Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas



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Specifics

Dell Children's Medical Center of Central Texas

- Individual control capabilities
 - 96% of occupants have lighting control
 - Underfloor air distribution in administrative areas
- Occupancy sensors and daylight harvesting utilized
- Environmentally sensitive materials used on interiors
- CO2 monitoring in high occupancy areas
 - Reduce outside air under low occupancy
- Approximately 1.3 million gallons water saved annually
 - Dual low flush fixtures, low flow showers, automatic sensors
- Energy savings estimated at \$1.5 million
- Energy measurement and verification system
 - Maintain and optimize energy usage



Seton Williamson Medical Center



Seton Williamson Medical Center



- Greenfield Site Hospital at 37,000 SM
- 160 Patient Beds
- General Community Hospital
- Designed and Built in 21 Months

Seton Hayes Medical Center



Seton Hayes Medical Center



- Greenfield Site Hospital at 35,000 SM
- 140 Patient Beds
- General Community Hospital
- Designed and Built in 22 Months

Measuring the LEED Process Differences

- Independent Consultant- RAD (Research & Design Company)
- Over 1900 employees included in the survey
- Use of hospitals over a two year period
- Energy measured independently thru facility group
- Primary Focus Points
 - Employee Engagement
 - Employee Health and Well Being
 - Employee Turnover
 - Employee Injuries
 - Perceived Quality of the Indoor Environment



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Energy Usage Comparison





Dell Children's savings in energy:

- \$350,000 per year over Seton Williamson
- \$300,000 per year over Seton Hayes



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Employee Engagement

- Employee Engagement at each of the newer facilities (Seton Williamson, Seton Hayes and Dell Children's) was all higher than older facilities
- Dell Children's had a 5% higher employee engagement rating
- Potential savings from high employee engagement: \$300,000/yr.



Employee Turnover



- Turnover and the Subsequent Cost of Replacement is a Large Factor in Healthcare Operations Costs
- Dell showed a 3.1% Lower Turnover Rate than Hayes
- Dell showed a 3.6% Lower Turnover Rate than Williamson
- The Savings for Reduced Turnover is \$1.1 million

Employee Injuries and Illness



- Injuries/Illness at Dell were 8.0% Less Than the Old Facility
- Injuries/Illness at Dell were 3.0% Lower Than at Hayes
- Injuries/Illness at Dell were 3.1%
 Lower Than at Williamson
- This Cost Translated to \$1.5 Million / yr.

Perception Quality of the Indoor Air Environment

- The PQIE for Dell was the highest of all Seton Facilities
- A PQIE rating increase of 14% results in a 5% increase in the Health and Wellbeing of its Staff.







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Next: The Health & Well Being Campus

University of Texas Medical Campus Austin, Texas



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Next Step

Seton Health



- Opened Dell Seton University of Texas Teaching Hospital in May
- 60,000 SM Teaching Facility with 190 Beds
- LEED Gold Pending
- Part of the University of Texas Medical Campus
- Campus Design Philosophy- 'Healthy Campus/Village'

Thank you

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