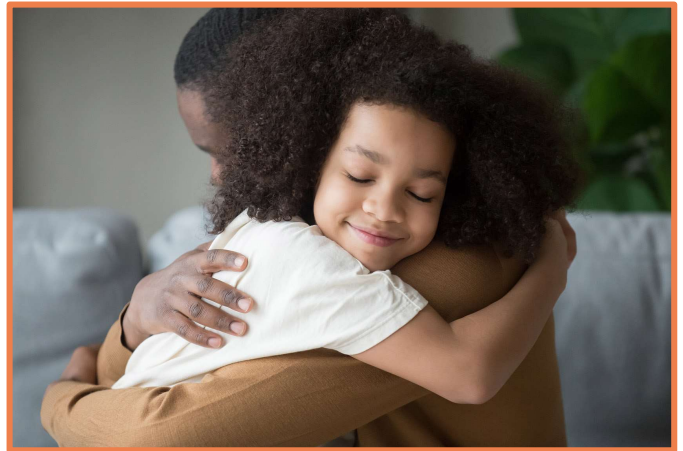


Seattle Children's 70th and Sand Point: New Home for Autism Center and Outpatient Behavioral Health

Renovations will begin in September 2021 on the second floor of Seattle Children's 70th and Sand Point Way building to support the relocation of the Autism Center and Outpatient Behavioral Health Program into one combined facility. The co-location of these programs will allow us to care for more kids, create opportunities for families to participate in critical research, and reduce wait times for diagnostic evaluations – getting patients the help they need sooner.

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic:

- 30%: Increase in number of children treated in the Emergency Department each week for a psychiatric emergency
- 1 to 2: Number of children admitted each night for suicidal ideation



The renovations at 70th and Sand Point Way will create a hub for autism and mental and behavioral health services and research, so that we can better meet the needs of youth and families in our community and beyond. Seattle Children's is working to create a future where every young person has access to evidence-based mental and behavioral health services when and where they need them.

We anticipate construction will take approximately one year to complete and this new hub for autism and mental health care will open in late 2022 or early 2023.

As part of the It Starts With Yes campaign to ensure hope, care and cures for all children, more than \$70 million has been raised for mental health and autism care, including the Sunderland Foundation's \$20 million gift to help relocate the Autism Center. That gift – coupled with meaningful commitments from the Norcliffe Foundation, the Nadella family, Seattle Children's Guild Association and many others – has made this project possible.

For more information about how we are working to transform mental health care at Seattle Children's, please visit: seattlechildrens.org/about/growing