

Experience, Insight and Perspective in Healthcare Construction Management



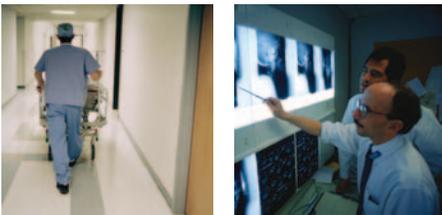
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INSTITUTIONAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT

“Mike Van Pelt served as the superintendent on a 65,000 square foot expansion to a major California medical center for which I was the owner’s project manager. Over and above the standard complexities of hospital construction projects, the job involved an aggressive budget and schedule, numerous regulatory agency issues and occasional challenges in the field. Through it all, Mike did an outstanding job of anticipating and solving problems and keeping the job on track. In the end, the project was completed on time and under budget.”

- HOSPITAL OWNER’S REPRESENTATIVE



“Mike Van Pelt and I worked together on a \$13.5 million hospital construction job that spanned three years. From start to finish, we had virtually no change orders and the entire project came in under budget. As superintendent, Mike managed the job extremely well and got the team through a variety of challenges in very cost-effective ways, helping to protect the hospital from expensive cost overruns. His experience in hospital construction helped the entire team work together to solve problems quickly. The job would not have been completed as well as it was without Mike’s participation. He was a key part of the success of the project.”

- HOSPITAL ARCHITECT



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Building on the Strength of California’s Healthcare Community

At Van Pelt Construction Services (VPCS), we know hospitals inside and out because our principals have been involved in healthcare construction for decades. In fact, Mike and Mark Van Pelt have participated in the building, renovation and seismic upgrades of some of the Bay Area’s busiest hospitals and healthcare facilities. This extensive experience makes us uniquely qualified as construction managers for healthcare projects – large or small, complicated or clear-cut, traditional or unconventional.

- A keen understanding of the complexities of hospital projects.
- Knowledge of how to work with contractors, architects, engineers and subcontractors.
- A solid track record with OSHPD.
- Familiarity with the public bidding environment.
- In-house architectural and inspection professionals.

Fluent in the ABCs of OSHPD

When it comes to working with California’s Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD), we do more than simply what it takes to meet the state requirements. We have the insight into healthcare construction projects that allows us to anticipate potential problems that might pose regulatory agency challenges. By keeping a watchful eye on current OSHPD regulations and obtaining necessary clarification before issues turn into costly problems, we are better able to keep projects on schedule and within budget.

Keeping Clients Fully Operational

Whether an existing hospital is being renovated or a new medical center is opening its doors to patients in phases, VPCS understands that most healthcare projects involve working around a functioning facility. We know that our hospital clients need us and the construction teams to stay out of the way as much as possible as we keep progress moving forward. One of the many ways we ensure maximum efficiency with minimal interruption is to maintain project information centers. These status boards are updated regularly and posted online as part of the VPCS website.

George Mark Children's House: More Than a Healthcare Construction Project

Van Pelt Construction Services was instrumental in making the George Mark Children's House (GMCH) a reality. As the first freestanding children's respite and end-of-life care facility in the United States, GMCH needed to meet the needs of the state's regulators and the facility's patients – a dual goal that presented unique challenges. VPCS worked closely with the architect and builder to ensure that the finished project served both as a fully functional, OSHPD-approved medical facility, as well as a place where children and families could find all the comforts of home during an extremely difficult time. The result is a 15,000 square foot structure with private and family suites; communal and private gardens; a great room; family-style dining areas; music, art, speech, occupational and physical therapy areas; and companion pet programs. A separate building contains an all-faith sanctuary and the surrounding grounds provide lawn and play equipment areas for the children. Turning a hospital into a home for young patients presented unforeseeable challenges and unparalleled rewards. Along with the rest of the project team and OSHPD representatives, VPCS helped the George Mark Children's House break new ground in the category of health care construction.



"I worked with VPCS on the George Mark Children's House, which involved a tremendous amount of interaction with OSHPD. VPCS kept us moving in the right direction, not just to ensure OSHPD compliance, but in terms of keeping the overall project on track. Because of the nature of this project, we faced a lot of gray areas that required us to make a lot of judgment calls; the Van Pelts' experience with health facilities really showed and it definitely made the process of working with OSHPD more positive. VPCS personnel handled themselves in a highly professional manner, and they're very nice people to deal with."

- CHIEF ARCHITECT, GEORGE MARK CHILDREN'S HOUSE



A Partnership Built on a Hospital Foundation

Mike and Mark Van Pelt learned the construction business from their father, who devoted his long career to building hospitals and who was the first to establish the reputation of trustworthiness that the Van Pelt name still carries today. Until they opened VPCS in 1996, Mike and Mark spent a combined 40 years honing their skills at the same healthcare builder where their father first introduced them to the trade. Today, they stay current on industry and regulatory trends while drawing on the fundamentals they learned firsthand in the field and in the trailer on numerous hospital projects.

Cover photo: The principals at Van Pelt Construction Services were instrumental in helping build this Northern California hospital.

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