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HEALTH AND BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES CENTER

Houston, Texas, January 12, 2011 - On Monday, January 17, 2011, construction is scheduled to begin on the Health and Biomedical Sciences Center and is expected to be completed by Fall of 2012. The construction area will be enclosed with a chain link fence with two double swing gates and directional signs will be posted by the contractor to outline paths around the construction area and entry into J. Armistead College of Optometry. The Health and Biomedical Sciences Center Building is an approximate 167,000 GSF six story building. The facility will be adjacent to and interconnected with J. Armistead College of Optometry Building. The project also includes the construction of 16,000 GSF satellite central plant which will support the new facility.

The new facility has been designed for delivery state-of-the-art patient eye care and research in order to strengthen the current services provided at the university. The building will include an ambulatory surgical center, the laser center (TLC), specialized research laboratories, animal care facilities, clinical facilities, laboratories, offices, seminar spaces and classrooms. The Complex Systems SuperCluster (CSS), a new research institute at UH, includes vision scientists, neuroscientists, biomedical engineers, computer scientists, and cognitive, developmental, and physiological psychologists. The CSS program will bring together NIH-supported investigators from across the UH campus into a single building to stimulate interdisciplinary biomedical research.
Please contact Frederick Maddox, Project Manager, if you have questions related to this project fmaddox2@uh.edu by phone at 713-743-1245.

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