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Qikiqtani General Hospital

Healthcare

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Qikiqtani General Hospital comprises two buildings: the original Baffin Regional Hospital ("BRH"), and the recently completed new facility to replace BRH. Following the transfer of many of the clinical services from BRH to the new building, Parkin was retained to complete a number of renovations to the new building and to convert the original BRH building into an Ambulatory Care facility that provides primary care services to Nunavut residents. In addition to supporting the new building with Plant Operation, Administration and Dietary Services, the conversion provides more exam and minor procedure rooms to support a new model of care delivery. A new Main Entrance addition updates the facility's image, while a new shipping-and-receiving addition improves operational efficiencies and reduces risks of infection. Improvements include new roofing and windows, as well as upgrades to ensure conformity with current building and accessibility codes.

Standardization of space allocation and updated finishes are key design elements in the "refresh". Parkin's experience in northern and vernacular architecture ensures that the upgrade will withstand the rigours of a difficult climate at the same time creating spaces that bring delight while respecting cultural sensitivities.



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