What is the Vista Award program?

Every year, the Vista Awards aim to highlight professionals who are at the forefront of health care design and construction innovation. The American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) of the American Hospital Association (AHA) firmly believes in recognizing teams who work together to develop and maintain safe, quality health care environments; demonstrate effective and efficient communication; and rely on data-based decision-making processes.

The Vista Awards are given in three different categories:

**New Construction**
This award is presented to a team that has constructed a new facility essentially from the ground up. The new facility may be connected to an existing facility, but must have its own identity and be a new space.

**Renovation**
This award is presented to a team that has altered existing conditions or added new space to existing structures. The original building envelope must remain essentially intact.

**Infrastructure**
This award is presented to a team that has modified or replaced major portions of a facility’s utility generation, distribution, or control systems. This type of project involves significant project planning.

Why Vista? Award benefits include:

- National recognition for your team and your project
- One complimentary registration to the 2020 PDC Summit
- A special team project award to be presented at the 2020 PDC Summit
- A personalized certificate for each team member listed on the application
- Complimentary exposure in the Architecture for Health Showcase, including a gallery display, a listing in the Compendium (bound booklet mailed to AHA hospitals and ASHE conference attendees), and a listing on archshowcase.org
- Opportunity to share about your award-winning project on an ASHE webinar
- Acknowledgment in ASHE’s *Health Facilities Management Magazine* and hfmmagazine.com
**New Construction**

**UC San Diego Jacobs Medical Center**
- Location: La Jolla, CA
- Square Feet: 510,000
- Number of Beds: 245
- Actual Cost: $972,900,000

**TEAM MEMBERS:**
- Randy Leopold, Sr. Director, Project Management, Owner’s Representative, UC San Diego
- William D. Hamilton, Principal, Architect of Record, CannonDesign
- Michael D. Wolfe, Vice President, General Contractor, Kitchell Contractors, Inc.
- Terry Riggs, Construction Inspector, Inspector of Record, UC San Diego
- John Gavan, President, KPFF Consulting
- Mike King, General Superintendent, General Contractor, Kitchell Contractors, Inc.

Jacobs Medical Center transforms what was once a community hospital (Thornton Hospital) into a world-class academic medical center reflective of UC San Diego Health’s vision “to create a healthier world — one life at a time — through new science, new medicine and new cures.” With consumerism and new patient expectations sweeping through the healthcare industry, the patient tower provided an opportunity for UC San Diego Health to completely calibrate its healthcare delivery model to today’s consumer expectations — resulting in a modern and restorative facility entirely designed around the needs of patients. The 10-story, 245-bed hospital functions as a new cures.”

**Learn more at ashe.org/vista**

**Renovation**

**MC 2020 Memorial Campus Refresh**
- Location: Worcester, MA
- Square Feet: 146,000
- Number of Beds: 153
- Actual Cost: $85,000,000

**TEAM MEMBERS:**
- Gary Valcourt, CHFM, CHSP, FMA, Assoc. Vice President, Facilities and Capital Planning, Hospital Executive, UMass Memorial Health Care
- David D. Neal, AIA, ASHE, Principal, Architectural Principal-in-Charge, The S/LA/M Collaborative
- Michael Benjamin, PE, HFDP, ASHE, LEED AP, Managing Principal, MEP Principal-in-Charge, BR+A Consulting Engineers
- Brian Hamilton, Director of Healthcare & Life Sciences, Construction Project Executive, Consigli Construction Co., Inc.
- Lisa Schoonerman, Senior Account Executive, Energy Efficiency Solutions Manager, Siemens Building Technologies
- Sarah E. Maston, PE, QxCP, CPMP, LEED AP, President, Commissioning, Green Footprints Commissioning, Inc

With a goal of being “The Best Place to Give Care and The Best Place to Get Care,” UMass Memorial Health Care Executive Leadership set out to explore, plan and implement transformative upgrades and improvements—the future state of health care—at the flagship academic medical center’s Memorial and University Hospital campuses. Both campuses featured an abundance of outdated buildings from the 1960s and 1970s, requiring both cosmetic and infrastructure upgrades. Leadership zeroed in on improving the inpatient experience, particularly the inpatient beds at both campuses. The resultant options were to either consolidate nursing floors from both campuses into a new $1 billion tower, or to renovate the existing nursing floors. Leadership analyzed both scenarios, with help from the design team, and determined that the best course of action would be to renovate, instead of building new. With this crucial decision out of the way, UMass established a “True North” charter focused on establishing key goals encompassing four categories: “Our Patients,” “Our People,” “Our Discoveries,” and “Our Long-Term Financial Health.” The resulting MC2020 modernization project sought to increase the number of private patient beds, transition Nurses Stations into collaborative Team Stations, increase learning and discovery space at the Memorial Campus, and in general, create a more standardized person-centered experience.

**Infrastructre**

**Lancaster General Hospital Energy Center**
- Location: Lancaster, PA
- Square Feet: 31,404
- Number of Beds: N/A
- Actual Cost: $28,271,859

**TEAM MEMBERS:**
- John Hartman, Senior Director of Facilities and Construction Management, Owner’s Representative, Lancaster General Health
- Chris Flynn, Healthcare Executive, Project Management/Executive, Benchmark Construction
- Dan Mountz, Project Manager, Electrical Contractor Project Manager, Herneisen Electric
- Jeff Ream, Project Manager, Mechanical Contractor Project Manager, James Craft and Son
- Bradley Bathgate, Professional Engineer, MEP/FP Proj Manager / Energy Analysis and Broker, PWI Engineering
- Ryan Griffith, Registered Architect, Project Architect, Cornerstone Design Architects

To fulfill the growing needs from their surrounding community, Lancaster General Hospital embarked in 2013 on a comprehensive facilities and capabilities expansion. From the onset of planning, it was critical to incorporate the broader vision to be “The Light on the Hill,” meaning that the hospital could serve as a fully functioning sanctuary in the event of any natural disaster or power interruption for a prolonged period of time as may be necessary. With this in mind, the encompassing project goals were as follows:

1. Design infrastructure needs for steam, chilled water, normal and emergency power in support of the facilities expansion that was scheduled for construction to begin in 2015, and be serving patients in 2017.
2. Engineer innovative solutions to ensure resilient and redundant power needs to serve the hospital for decades and to serve the community in times of exceptional need.
3. Ensure installation of new infrastructure without any disruption whatsoever to Lancaster General’s ability to serve the community.
4. Deliver the increased capacity needs, while simultaneously reducing overall costs of operations.
It’s time for your team to be recognized for their hard work. Visit [ashe.org/vista](ashe.org/vista) and submit your application today!

Please review the Vista Award Application Guidelines on [ashe.org/vista](ashe.org/vista) before submitting your application.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY**

Eligible applicants include design professionals and other individuals working with the design and construction of hospitals, ambulatory care facilities, long-term care facilities, and medical buildings.

- Projects must have been completed between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2018.
- Projects must have a minimum of six months post-occupancy or post-completion data.
- Only one project can be submitted per category from any single health care facility, although an organization may submit more than one project from different facilities in its system or alliance.

The following will deem an entry ineligible:
- Failure to adhere to the instructions as noted in the Vista Award Application Guidelines posted to ashe.org/vista
- Lack of team representation or support from the health care facility.
- Use of water marks or other distracting graphic elements
- Commercial endorsements
- Testimonials
- Incomplete application/submission

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Vista Award Application Guidelines**
The Vista Award Application Guidelines cover the details and materials needed for application submittals. Please visit ashe.org/vista to download these important guidelines.

**Dates/Deadlines**
All entries must be received by September 30, 2019.

**Entry Fee**
The Vista Award entry fee is $395 per submission and is nonrefundable.

**Judging Panel**
The panel, which reviews all entries and select winners, will include representatives from the health care planning, design, and construction professions. All judging decisions are final.

**Notification**
Organizations and representatives selected to receive an award will be notified in writing by January 10, 2020.

**Questions?** Contact Charmaine Osborne at cosborne@aha.org.

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