



Base Realignment and Closure

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BRAC construction begins, affects parking near BAMC

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Starting Dec. 31, a section of Lot A at Brooke Army Medical Center will be closed to begin the construction of the Joint Center of Excellence for Battlefield Health and Trauma Research.

Because of the construction, a total of 324 parking spaces in Lot A will not be available. Staff parking spaces in Lot A will be relocated to parking lots on George Beach Avenue in the vicinity of BAMC and adjacent parking space at the east side of the Navy and Marine Reserve Training Center which have sufficient capacity to replace parking spaces lost due to the construction.

The 103,000-square-foot facility will house the Department of Defense Combat Casualty Care Research, along with the U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research. Currently, ISR is located on the BAMC campus.

The construction of the BHT is the result of the Base Realignment and Closure 2005 legislation, and joins together the following services: Combat Casualty Care Research missions and functions of Walter Reed Army Institute of Research and the Combat Casualty Care Directorate of the Naval Medical Research Center from Forest Glen, Md.; U.S. Army Dental and Trauma Research Detachment, Naval Institute for Dental and Biomedical Research, and Air Force Dental Evaluation and Consultation Service from Great Lakes, Ill.; and the U.S. Army Medical Research Detachment from Brooks City Base in San Antonio.

Construction is expected to be completed in the fall of 2009.