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## **VA acquires Texas community hospital to fight COVID-19 and care for Veterans in the future**

**WASHINGTON** – The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) acquired the former Garland-Baylor, Scott & White hospital, April 3, to increase its capacity to care for Veterans.

The 470,000 square foot facility was donated by Baylor, Scott & White and will eventually serve as an outpatient and specialty care clinic within the [VA North Texas Health Care System](#).

Initially, the facility will be setup as an inpatient overflow unit with capacity for 100 beds to treat coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases. Later care will expand care for the 184,000 North Texas Veterans, to meet the growing demand for VA healthcare in that area.

“We thank Baylor, Scott & White for this generous donation,” said VA Secretary Robert Wilkie, “This acquisition demonstrates VA’s innovative approach to providing care for Veterans, both in this time of crisis and in the future.”

VA encourages Veterans, staff members, and their families to [take everyday precautions](#) to protect against respiratory illnesses caused by COVID-19, the flu, and the common cold. Follow the guidance of your local and state healthcare and emergency management officials.

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