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Foster + Partners to design Shanghai Luye Lilan Hospital

Luye Medical, Cleveland Clinic and Foster + Partners are coming together to create a new state-of-the-art general medical hospital in Shanghai's New Hong Qiao International Medical Center (IMC) campus. The project will create the world's first 'Cleveland Clinic Connected' project to provide top-class healthcare facilities. The design challenges the traditional hospital model to provide value-based, patient-centric healthcare, that will enhance patient experience and improve recovery times, while attracting and retaining the best medical professionals from across China and the rest of the world.

Ben Scott, Partner, Foster + Partners said: "China's extraordinary growth story presents immense potential to push the boundaries of innovation in healthcare. The Shanghai Luye Lilan Hospital offers an opportunity to create a new world-leading blueprint for healthcare in the future, integrating latest technology and patient-centric care in a flexible facility that is immersed in nature."

There is a wealth of evidence to suggest that access and views to green spaces can improve recovery times and contribute to better clinical outcomes for patients, while providing a more comfortable workplace for medical staff. The building is surrounded by a rich landscape and flooded with natural light. Its comparative low-height offers a more intimate and domestic scale, allowing patients to feel at 'home' and better connected with the surrounding greenery whilst maximising interconnectivity for staff to create a cross-disciplinary working environment.

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A central circulation hub with a full-height open atrium makes wayfinding intuitive and reduces travel times for patients and staff. The building form lends itself to modular planning – the functions and spaces assigned to them are interchangeable, allowing for flexibility to adapt to future changes in the building layout and the integration of new technology.

The hospital will establish world-leading clinical specialities such as cardiology, urology, digestive disease, and oncology. The building design will promote collaboration between the different departments by integrating social spaces that encourage chance encounters and knowledge sharing between staff as well as providing dedicated areas for staff research and learning.

David Summerfield, Head of Studio, Foster + Partners, said: “We greatly enjoyed the experience of working with Cleveland Clinic on their new facility in Ohio, which is designed to pioneer significant innovation in health education and nurture professional and collaborative relationships between separate disciplines, ultimately raising quality of care. We look forward to continuing the partnership through their connection with Luye Medical on this exciting project in Shanghai, a city that embodies the progressive and ambitious spirit of China.”