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**DJC 2011 Building of the Year**

**Swedish/Issaquah Medical Center**

By JOURNAL STAFF

Swedish/Issaquah Medical Center was voted the DJC’s 2011 Building of the Year in an online poll at www.djc.com. It received more than 2,700 out of 7,153 votes.

The $360 million, 528,000-square-foot medical campus is on Northeast Blakely Drive in Issaquah. It opened in two phases. The first phase is a 200,000-square-foot medical office building that opened in July. It houses primary and specialty care clinics, Swedish Cancer Center, an emergency department, ambulatory care, pharmacy, laboratory imaging center and eight retail stores.

The second phase is a 156,000-square-foot, 80-bed hospital that opened in November.

Swedish officials said the complex was built to be one of the most energy efficient medical campuses in the region, and possibly the nation.

The hospital is oriented to get full sun on three sides and daylight in the basement. A 6,000-square-foot landscaped rooftop deck holds stormwater and increases energy efficiency in the buildings.
Computer modeling was used to create an efficient envelope, set insulation requirements, and select HVAC and lighting systems.

**Readers’ comments:**

“This is the most beautiful hospital that I’ve ever seen both inside and out. The atmosphere is very different than a traditional hospital; rather than cold and sterile, it’s warm and inviting!”

“I am very fortunate to work in such a beautiful and ‘green’ building and all of our patients can’t stop raving about this facility!”

“They thought of every little thing that could make the building safer and better for the patients and staff.”

**Owner:** Swedish Health Services

**Developer:** Hammes Co.

**Architects:** CollinsWoerman (core, shell and interior design for hospital and medical office building); Callison (tenant improvements for the medical office building clinic spaces and retail)

**General contractor:** Sellen Construction

**Mechanical, plumbing engineer:** CDi Engineers

**Mechanical contractor:** University Mechanical

**Electrical engineer, acoustics:** Sparling

**Civil engineer:**oughlin Porter Lundeen

**Commissioning agent:** Engineering Economics Inc.

**Electrical contractor:** Cochran
**Lighting**: Candela

**Integrated technology systems**: TEECom

**Medical equipment planning**: Mitchell Planning

**Landscape**: Brumbaugh & Associates

**Graphics**: John Bentz Design

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