



Western State Hospital has undertaken an expansion project to cater to the growing needs of the facility. The new Kitchen and Pharmacy building is LEED-certified and boasts a brick exterior that complements the existing hospital style, maintaining the historical aesthetics of the entire campus.

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with hospital staff to ensure the equipment and final layouts were tailored to their specific needs, making the design more efficient.

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**Client** DSHS

**Architect**NAC Architecture

**Delivery**Design Bid Build

**Planned Completion Date** 08/24/2020

**Final Completion Date** 05/21/2021

**Awarded Contract Value** \$18,727,000

Final Contract Value \$22,007,716

**Reason for Increase**Owner Requested Change

## References

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