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DALLAS--The U. S. Public Health Service has awarded a grant of \$7,315,413 for expansion of Parkland Memorial Hospital to serve a broader teaching program by The University of Texas Southwestern Medical School at Dallas.

Under the program, the medical school will increase first year medical student enrollment 20 per cent by 1972. The school now accepts around 100 freshmen each year.

The hospital district will add to the grant \$6.5 million available from a bond program voted in 1964, plus other funds, to initiate a building program of some \$15 million to \$16 million.

Dr. Eugene Frenkel, professor of internal medicine at Southwestern Medical School and coordinator of the building committee, said plans are "to take a city-county hospital and try to provide a very sophisticated university program and a very highly specialized patient care program."

He noted that the faculty of the medical school already has "a lot of strength in the sub-specialties" and that the grant would "afford a great deal of depth in the laboratory-surgical specialties.

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first add grant

Officials of Parkland Memorial Hospital estimate they will be able to enlarge the hospital space by 294 beds.

Specifically, the new construction will complete the east and west wings of Parkland's eighth floor, all of the ninth floor of east, west and south wings and the 10th floor of the east and west wings which already have basic shell construction.

Additionally, an extension will be built on the south wing which will connect with the new Childrens Medical Center. The first level of this extension will become the new emergency room service area which will be from three to four times as large as the existing area.

A new staff cafeteria will occupy part of the second level of the extension, with physical medicine and pediatrics occupying another part of this level. Operating rooms and more pediatrics will be on the third level.

Delivery rooms will be on part of the fourth level and long range plans are to place a premature nursery in the other part of this level.

There will be extensive renovation within the present structure of Parkland Memorial Hospital.

The grant will allow placement of some 77 new beds for specialized teaching purposes. This includes 25 beds for Neurology, 15 for Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 16 for a Clinical Cancer Unit, 15 for Vascular Surgery Service and 6 beds for a Renal Dialysis Unit.

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Southwestern Medical School, which is adjacent to Parkland Hospital, is planning a \$150 million expansion of its campus facilities during the next 10 years.

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