

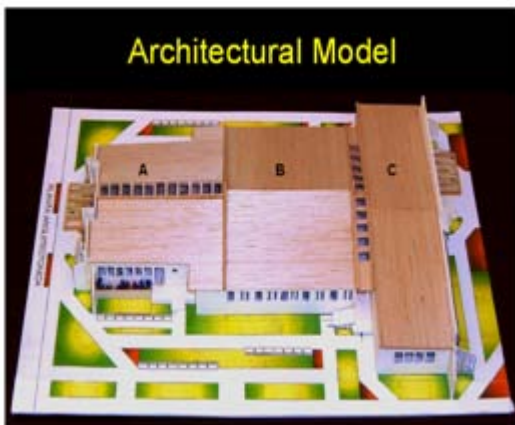
## Architectural Drawings Unveiled for New Clinic

Architectural drawings have been in hand for some time now, but they have taken on greater scrutiny by the MA Board, now that the last government hurdle has been cleared and the opportunity to start construction is at hand. The exterior of the building is shown below. The building will be air conditioned and its exterior reflects the motifs and architectural elements of the Mayan civilization, linking regional heritage and cultural association to the Copan.

Upon entering the main entrance (Section A), the patient will enter one of two waiting areas – to the left for medical services and right for dentis



try, and register with the appropriate receptionist responsible for patient history and record retrieval. Patient Medical consultation areas (Section B) and specific testing areas are in the center of the building, while a series of examination rooms line the left side of the medical portion of the building. Patients seeking dental care, progress to the right side of the building where four dental suites, two equipped with x-ray units, are located. An emergency care area is



located in the rear of the facility (Section C). The MA Board is debating the configuration of the dental area – should they maintain the traditional “walled-in” suite for each patient or adopt a more contemporary clinic approach of one large space with open suites and short knee walls topped by privacy screens? The latter arrangement enables smoother work flow and easier accessibility to portable apparatus, equipment and labs.

An exterior accessible prescription pick-up window has been incorporated into the pharmacy area and a chapel will also be on site. Space for an outdoor meditative garden with seating area

has been provided but remains unfunded at this time. These are the green and yellow areas in the Architectural Model displayed above.

A Master Site Plan has been developed but not yet agreed upon for the seven-acre campus. MA would like to make commercial use of its buildings on site so that they will not only economically support the health services provided but also become the means for sustaining clinic operations. MA has already demonstrated in the interim clinic that they were capable of generating 20% of the clinic's operating budget during their first 12 months – a remarkable achievement they expect to expand!

Discussions are underway with Geologists Without Borders (GWB) and ASIDE, the Honduran Agency for Environmental and Socioeconomic Development, on the most effective location for drilling a well. Obtaining quality water and disposal of clinic effluent are key parameters in developing the campus. GWB has satellite imagery capability of determining location of underground aquifers along with technology that can provide the precision needed in siting a well. Well placement is strategically important in future campus development as envisioned in the master site plan.

One of the ideas advanced by MA is the possible construction of a Conference and Educational Center sometime after the completion of the new clinic. Recognizing the need for continuing education and elevation of Public Health awareness, MA wants to have a facility for group meetings, specialized seminars and conventions. Fees generated from rental of this space would be used to subsidize operating costs of the clinic and to purchase medicines.

Generally, for security reasons, a wall is built around a campus, but no decision has been reached yet on how to handle the new clinic. MA Board members visiting West Chester have been surprised to see the openness of our communities and campus-like business parks. We would certainly like to encourage such openness if it will work in Honduras. Our desire would be to have an esthetically appealing, inviting site, visible from the main highway that welcomes all peoples. Although this is a "special" place, which can become a symbol to the area – it is a reminder that Christ healed first and we can follow in His footsteps. It is a clinic for the community, where everyone is welcome, but they must follow the rules, respect the property and its contents. Perhaps security and visibility can be accommodated with a low block wall topped off with spacious ornamental ironwork fencing, sensors, sirens and security perimeter lighting. These are additions for which there is no funding at the moment.