A NEW SPACE FOR PATIENTS and the Penn Dental Medicine community to gather opened in June with the completion of the 2,100-square-foot Schattner Pavilion, enhancing the connection of the three buildings that make up the Penn Dental Medicine campus. This project is the culmination of a series of major facilities projects for Penn Dental Medicine since 2015, which in addition to the Robert I. Schattner Clinic (formerly the Main Clinic) that opened in January, included the Evans Building Centennial Renaissance project that transformed all four levels of the School’s historic Thomas Evans Building.

The Schattner Pavilion builds upon the unified Penn Dental Medicine campus achieved with the construction of the School’s Robert Schattner Center. When the Schattner Center opened in 2002, becoming the School’s main entrance, it linked to the Thomas Evans Building and the Leon Levy Center for Oral Health Research. The Schattner Pavilion adds to that connection.

The two-story Pavilion extends beyond the existing atrium of the Schattner Center, with the south sides featuring direct connections to the Evans Building and north sides leading to the Levy Center. The first floor space is a meeting and gathering space for students, staff, faculty, and visitors to the Penn Dental Medicine campus, outfitted with varied groupings of tables, chairs, and seating areas. Doors from this space open onto the Fonseca Gardens and a seating area there on the courtyard. The second floor is a new patient waiting area for individuals being treated in the Schattner Clinic, which is situated on the second floor of the adjoining Evans Building. The second floor connection to the Leon Levy Center opens into a faculty collaboration space within Levy.

The Pavilion and Schattner Clinic continue the legacy of the late Dr. Robert I. Schattner (D’48), one of Penn Dental Medicine’s most accomplished and devoted graduates. Both projects were made possible through a $15 million gift from Dr. Schattner, made before his death last year. They both are also part of the School’s current Power of Penn Dental Medicine capital campaign — to learn more about the other campaign initiatives, visit www.dental.upenn.edu/powerofpenn.

ABOVE: The two-story Schattner Pavilion strengthens the connection to the Thomas Evans Building on the one side and the Leon Levy Center for Oral Health Research on the other.

RIGHT: (top left, bottom) The first floor of the Schattner Pavilion features varied seating areas that look onto the rear Fonseca Gardens. The north side (orange wall) connects to the Levy Center and the south side (blue wall) leads to the walkway connecting to the Evans Building. (top right) A view into the first floor of the Pavilion from the Schattner Center atrium; there is access to the Fonseca Gardens courtyard from the Pavilion.

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ABOVE: The second floor of the Schattner Pavilion is a waiting area for patients being seen in the Robert I. Schattner Clinic (the former Main Clinic). (top) View toward the hall leading to the Schattner Clinic (bottom) View toward the Levy Building. This space looks down onto the Fonseca Gardens below on one side and into the Schattner Center atrium on the other.