



Curb Access Management Program Facilitates Construction of New York Presbyterian Children's Hospital, Improves All Operations



Ref: Helen Morik, V.P., Gov't
& Community Affairs
212-305-2114

Phase I: \$180,000,000

K&K Fee: \$300,000, hourly
fees based on task order budget

For the approval of three new facilities at Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center in upper Manhattan by Community Board 12 and the City Planning Commission, Konheim & Ketcham prepared an Environmental Assessment Statement that was notable for its hospital-specific basis for 10 categories of trips and its detailed analysis of truck docks, parking scenarios, valet and ambulette operations, and pedestrian conditions.

With insights from the EAS on ways to improve functioning of the existing congested streets, K&K proposed a comprehensive curb use program to a campus-wide operations committee and NYCDOT. K&K's recommendations for truck docks led to a redesignation of users, more even deliveries, faster receiving and distribution, shorter turnaround and removal of parking near docks to eliminate double parking by trucks. K&K's analyses of off - street parking practices resulted in a phased reallocation of employee and visitor parking at nine parking facilities, and introduced nighttime sharing of a remote lot with NYC Transit buses. Its analysis of curb usage led to CB12 approved measures to improve efficiency of patient drop-off areas, increase turnover of street parking, provide van waiting areas, and make bus stops more convenient. Traffic modeling and documentation of pedestrian patterns led to measures to optimize flow in the surrounding network and improve pedestrian safety.