Children's Hospital (Building 4), Henryton Sanatorium
CARR-1621
Carroll County
Marriottsville Vicinity
1934
Public

The Children's Hospital (Building 4) consists of a two-story Georgian Revival, Tee-shaped brick building with an asphalt-shingled roof located on the northern-most portion of the main Sanatorium complex of buildings. The hospital incorporates a hipped-roof center block with hipped-roof wings. Quoins and a brick cornice accent the center block featuring eight-light triple wood casement windows, each surmounted by a four-light wooden transom. Identical two-story hipped-roof wings extend from both the east and west ends of the center block. The wings are also accented with brick quoins and contain inset first-story open porches with segmental arched openings, and inset second story porches with brick piers. A two-story hipped-roof wing, five bays in length and three bays deep, extends from the rear or north side of the center block.

Building 4 opened in 1934 as an ambulatory care facility for 50 children after an earlier children's hospital was found to lack adequate fire-proof construction. Henryton closed the facility in 1946 citing that too few children were given care for the cost but noted that a need did exist for a similar building serving advanced child tuberculin cases. In the 1950s, insurance surveyors described the building as a nurses' quarters and recreation building. The structure served as the Education and Therapy Building during the institution's use as a developmental disabilities facility after 1962. The building also incorporates sanatoria hospital design principals, i. e. open porches, and Georgian Revival forms, plans, and ornament popular for large public buildings during the early twentieth century, and utilized for most of Henryton's larger structures.

Documenting the establishment and evolution of tuberculosis healthcare facilities in Maryland, Building 4, at Henryton Sanatorium is a contributing element to the proposed Maryland Register eligible Henryton

Sanatorium Historic District (CARR-1616). Building 4 also appears eligible for the Maryland Register as an individual resource under Criterion A, broad patterns of history, for its association with tuberculosis healthcare in Maryland between 1934 and 1962, and under Criterion C, the embodiment of the specialized characteristics of a particular architectural style or method of construction, for its incorporation of Georgian Revival architectural traits and sanatoria hospital open-porch design.

Maryland Historical Trust
Maryland Inventory of
Historic Properties Form

Inventory No. CARR-1621

1. Name of Property (indicate preferred name)

historic	Children's Hospital – Henryton Sanatorium Historic District
other	Building 4, Education and Therapy Building – Henryton Center

2. Location

street and number	south side of Henryton Road, west of Marriottsville Road	__	not for publication
city, town	Marriottsville	X	vicinity
county	Carroll		

3. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name	Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene				
street and number	201 W. Preston Street			telephone	(410) 767-6816
city, town	Baltimore	state	MD	zip code	21201

4. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc.	Howard County Courthouse	tax map and parcel	Map 79, Parcel 150		
city, town	Ellicott City	liber	116	folio	127

5. Primary Location of Additional Data

_____ Contributing Resource in National Register District
_____ Contributing Resource in Local Historic District
_____ Determined Eligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
_____ Determined Ineligible for the National Register/Maryland Register
_____ Recorded by HABS/HAER
_____ Historic Structure Report or Research Report at MHT
_____ Other:_____

6. Classification

Category
_____district
X building(s)
_____structure
_____site
_____object

Ownership
X public
_____private
_____both

Current Function
_____agriculture
_____commerce/trade
_____defense
_____domestic
_____education
_____funerary
_____government
_____health care
_____industry
_____landscape
_____recreation/culture
_____religion
_____social
_____transportation
_____work in progress
_____unknown
X vacant/not in use
_____other:

Resource Count

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
0	0	sites
0	0	structures
0	0	objects
1	0	Total

Number of Contributing Resources previously listed in the Inventory
0

7. Description

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Condition

___ excellent ___ deteriorated
X good ___ ruins
___ fair X altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Children's Hospital (Building 4) consists of a two-story Georgian Revival, Tee-shaped brick building with an asphalt-shingle roof. The building was constructed as the children's hospital in 1934. The building consists of a hipped-roof center block and hipped wings. The hipped-roof center block is accented by quoins and a brick cornice and features eight-light triple wood casement windows, each surmounted by a four-light wooden transom. A double-paneled wood door with transom is located in the center block's front (south) elevation. Identical two-story hipped-roof wings extend from both ends (east and west) of the center block. The wings are also accented with brick quoins and contain inset first-story open porches with segmental arched openings, and inset second story porches with brick piers. A two-story hipped-roof wing five bays in length and three bays deep extends from the rear (north) side of the center bay. The building has good overall integrity.

The interior of the hipped roof wings at the east and west ends of the center block both consist of one large room on the first and second stories. These rooms are connected via a hallway that runs through the center block. Another corridor extends through the center of the rear wing, from which many small bedrooms, closets, and bathrooms are accessed.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance	Check and justify below		
__ 1600-1699	agriculture	__ economics	X health/medicine	__ performing arts
__ 1700-1799	__ archeology	__ education	__ industry	__ philosophy
1800-1899	X architecture	__ engineering	__ invention	__ politics/government
X 1900-1999	__ art	__ entertainment/ recreation	__ landscape architecture	__ religion
__ 2000-	__ commerce	__ ethnic heritage	__ law	__ science
	__ communications	__ exploration/ settlement	__ literature	__ social history
	__ community planning		__ maritime history	__ transportation
	__ conservation		__ military	__ other: ____

Specific dates 1934-1962 **Architect/Builder** Unknown

Construction dates 1934

Evaluation for:

_____ National Register ___X___ Maryland Register _____ not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

Documenting the establishment and evolution of tuberculosis healthcare facilities in Maryland, the Children's Hospital, Building 4, at Henryton Sanatorium appears to be a contributing element to the proposed Maryland Register eligible Henryton Sanatorium Historic District (CARR-1616). Building 4 also appears eligible for the Maryland Register as an individual resource under Criterion A, broad patterns of history, for its association with tuberculosis healthcare in Maryland between 1934 and 1962, and under Criterion C, the embodiment of the specialized characteristics of a particular architectural style or method of construction, for its incorporation of Georgian Revival architectural traits and sanatoria hospital open-porch design.

Situated on one of the highest points on the site, the Children's Hospital afforded spectacular views of the surrounding region. The Sanatorium's superintendent boasted that the facility probably composed the best-looking and best-built public building on state grounds (Board 1934:100). Building 4 opened in 1934 as an ambulatory care facility for 50 children after an earlier children's hospital was found to lack adequate fire-proof construction (Board 1932:11). Henryton closed the facility in 1946 citing that too few children were given care for the cost but noted that a need did exist for a similar building serving advanced child tuberculin cases (Board 1946:63). In the 1950s, insurance surveyors described the building as a nurses' quarters and recreation building (Riggs-Warfield-Roloson 1953-1959). The structure served as the Education and Therapy Building during the institution's use as a developmental disabilities facility after 1962. The building also incorporates sanatoria hospital design principals, i. e. open porches, and Georgian Revival forms, plans, and ornament popular for large public buildings during the early twentieth century, and utilized for most of Henryton's larger structures.

The Henryton Sanatorium was one of four state-operated tuberculosis sanatoria established during the early twentieth century that represented a significant part of Maryland's public health campaign to stop the spread of tuberculosis. The first state tuberculosis sanatorium was at Sabillasville, Frederick County, which opened in 1908. The other state sanatoria established after Sabillasville included Henryton (1923), Mount Wilson (1924), and the Eastern Shore Tuberculosis Sanatorium (1928). The state sponsored sanatorium treatment for tuberculosis patients carried on at these institutions continued well into the 1960s. The Henryton Sanatorium was the first and only of the state sanatoria established for the treatment of African-American patients, whom statistical trends in Maryland show had a high mortality rate attributed to tuberculosis. The Children's Hospital represents part of the expansion of the Henryton Sanatorium during the 1930s. It was also one of the many institutional buildings at Henryton constructed in the Georgian/Colonial Revival design. The Colonial and Georgian Revival styles were popular with regards to institutional design in Maryland during the 1920s and 1930s, and were incorporated in the individual building designs at other state tuberculosis sanatoria established during this era.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Board of Managers of the Maryland Tuberculosis Sanatorium

various *Annual Reports of the Board of Managers of the Maryland Tuberculosis Sanatorium.* On file at the University of Maryland Library, College Park, Maryland.

Riggs-Warfield-Roloson, Incorporated

1953-1959 "Maryland Tuberculosis Hospital (Colored Branch)". Insurance Survey on file at the Maryland State Archives, Annapolis, MD.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	46		
Acreage of historical setting	105		
Quadrangle name	Sykesville Maryland	Quadrangle scale:	1:24 000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Children's Hospital is located within the proposed boundaries for the Henryton Sanatorium Historic District. The proposed boundaries for the district include all of the historic Sanatorium parcel west of Henryton Road and north of the former B&O Railroad tracks. These boundaries encompass the Sanatorium's historic setting and landscape features, as well as all surviving resources related to the property's use as a tuberculosis facility. The district has been documented as MHT inventory number CARR-1616.

11. Form Prepared by

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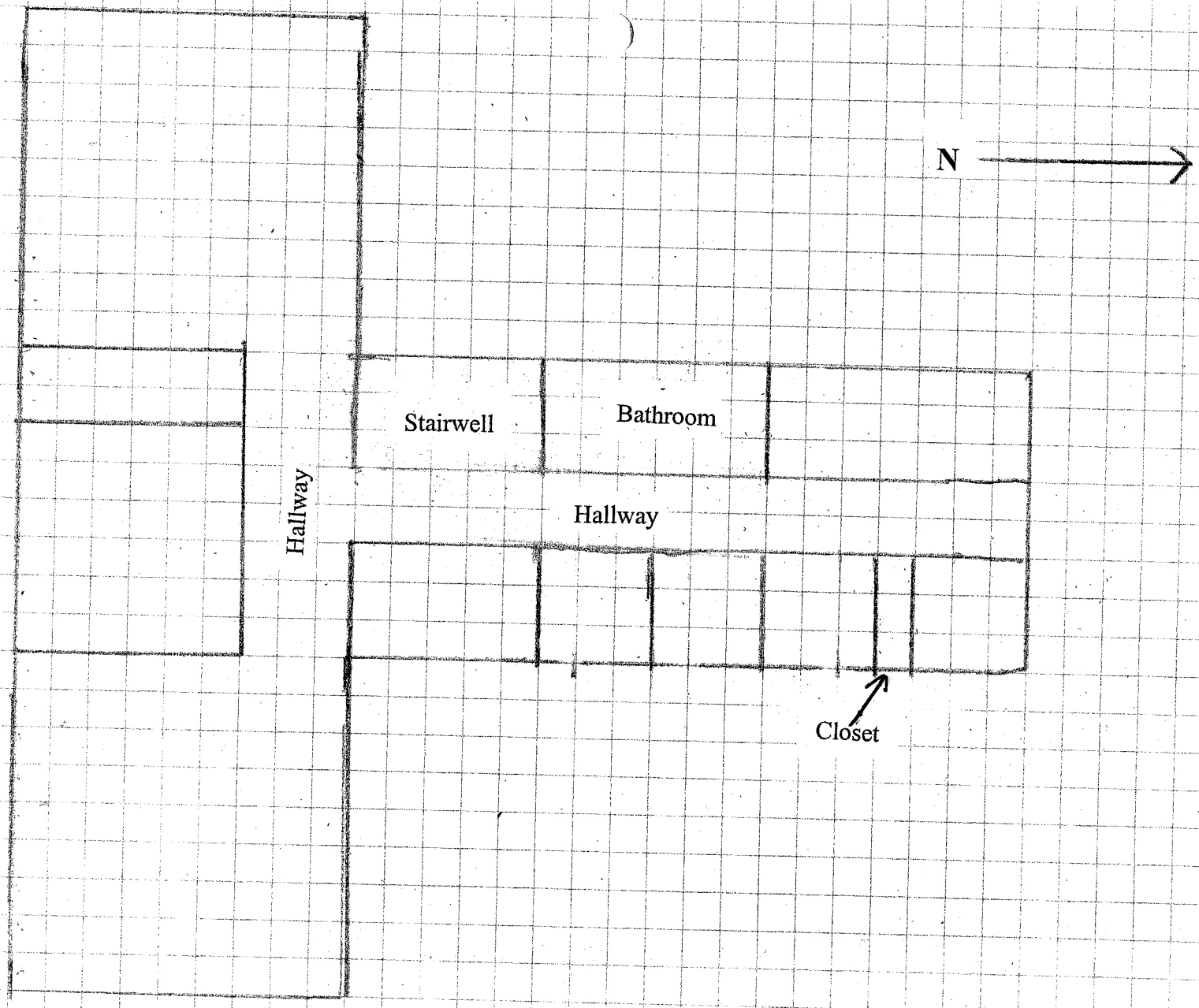
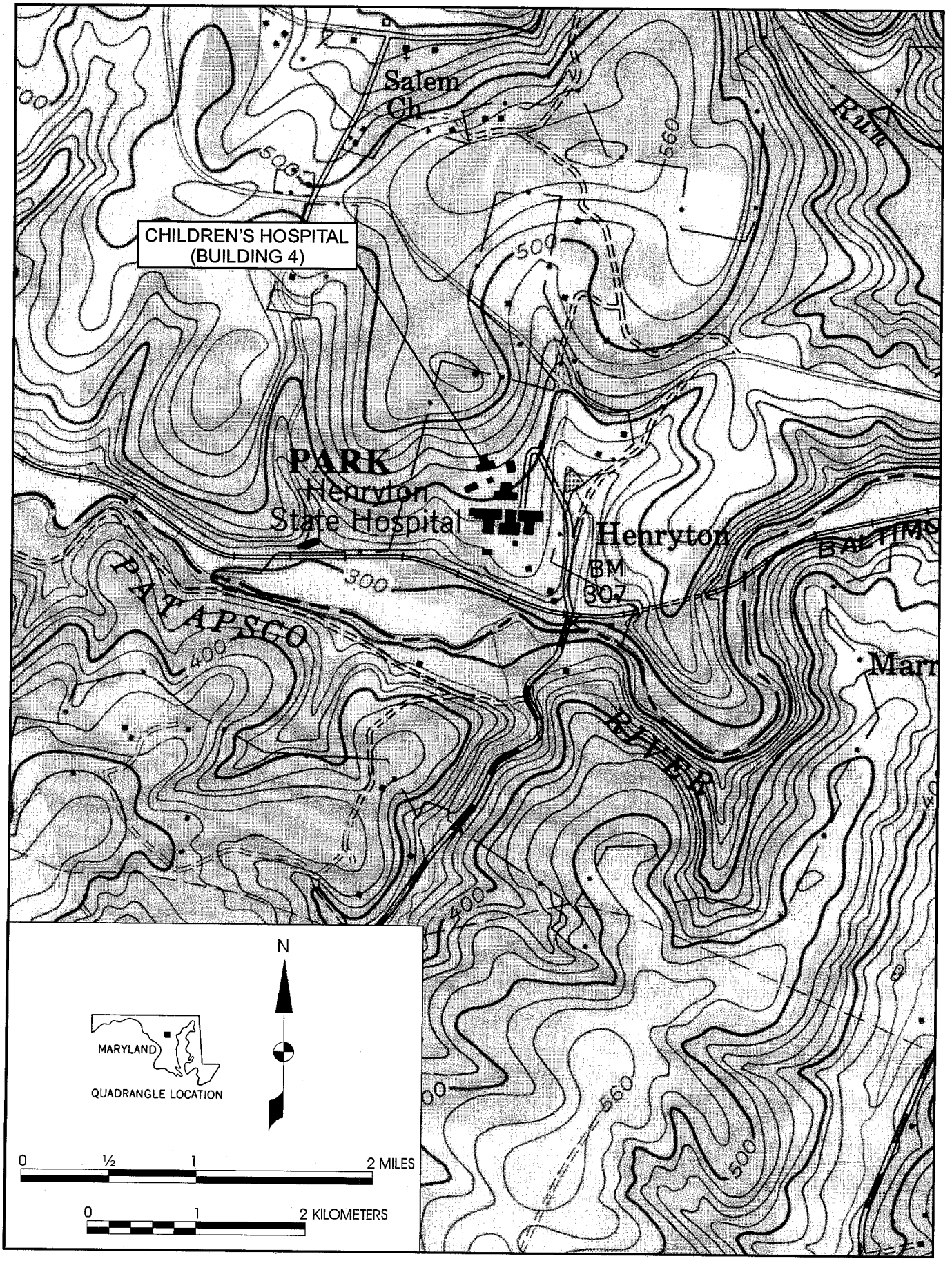


FIRST STORY PLAN OF CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL (BUILDING 4)

CARR-1621



Children's Hospital (Building 4; CARR-1621)

SOURCE: USGS 7.5 Minute Quadrangle, Sykesville, MD 1953 (Photorevised 1979)

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South + West elevations Northeast view

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Bear Wing, Southwest view

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