

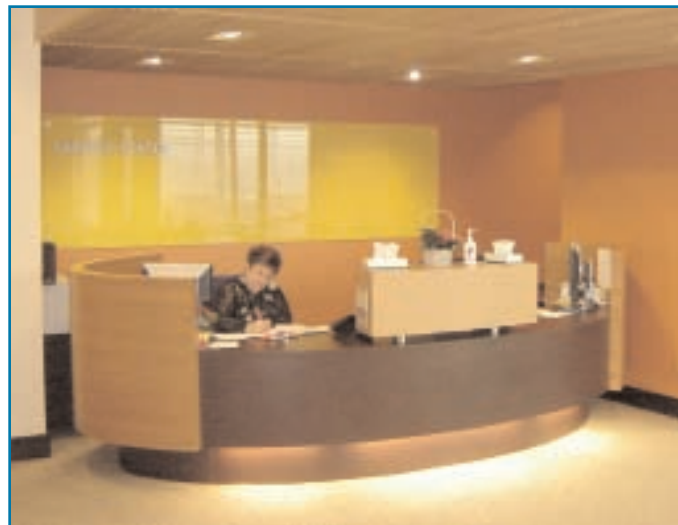


OREGON HEALTH & SCIENCE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR HEALTH & HEALING PORTLAND, OR

Architect: GBD Architects
Portland, OR

Coatings Applicator: All-Phase Coatings, Inc.
Tualatin, OR

PPG *IdeaScapes*
Products: Pittsburgh® Paints' *Pure Performance*® Paint



PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The *Center for Health & Healing*, which the Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) opened in October 2006, is not just on the forefront of medical care. The facility also is a trailblazer in sustainable design, achieving three notable firsts:

- The largest building ever to receive LEED Platinum certification
- The first large-scale health and bioresearch facility to achieve LEED Platinum certification
- The first building in Oregon to receive Platinum certification from LEED

Located on Portland's South Waterfront, the Health & Healing Center is a 16-story building with 400,000 square feet encompassing a wellness center, offices for private physician practices, an outpatient surgery center, research labs and an educational center.

What really makes the building remarkable, however, is its environmental sustainability. That's because the OHSU Center was able to earn LEED Platinum certification despite the fact that it, like any hospital, is in constant operation and uses lots of energy-intensive medical equipment.

GBD Architects of Portland was able to attain the top LEED certification standard for this facility by incorporating a variety of innovative nature- and patient-friendly features. One of these was the specification of *Pure Performance* paint by Pittsburgh Paints on all interior drywall surfaces.

The use of this paint promotes patient and environmental health because, unlike most interior latex paints, it contains no volatile organic compounds (VOCs).

Like the facility for which it was specified, *Pure Performance*® paint is a trailblazer in its own right. Shortly after it was introduced in 2002, it became the first zero-VOC interior premium latex paint to earn the coveted Class A certification from Green Seal®, America's premier environmental product standards organization.

The designation marked an important advance in the paint industry; not just because *Pure Performance*® emitted no VOCs, but because the product also met a variety of rigorous, painter-selected performance criteria for durability, scrubability, hiding power, washability and touch-up.

Pure Performance also met strict environmental requirements for the amount of energy used in its manufacture, as well as strict guidelines for chemical composition, packaging design, disposability and other life-cycle considerations.

Because of these industry-leading environmental attributes, *Pure Performance* paint serves as a welcome complement to the OHSU Center's other innovative environmental features including eco-roof terraces, the collection and use of 100 percent rainwater to flush public fixtures, an internal bio-reactor that can treat up to 30,000 gallons of waste per day, and an on-site heat and power production plant that saves nearly nine million pounds of carbon dioxide from going into the atmosphere each year.

Together these and other environmentally progressive features combine to make the OHSU Health & Healing Center 61 percent more energy efficient than required by LEED standards and Oregon state codes.

For more information on *Pure Performance* zero-VOC paint and other *EcoLogical Building Solutions*™ from PPG, visit www.ppgideascales.com or call 1-888-PPG-IDEA.

