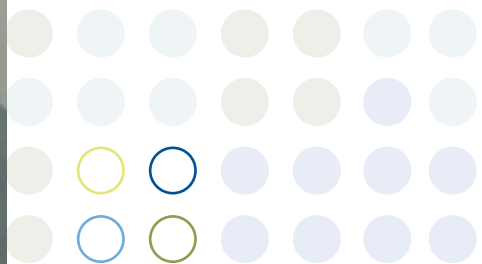


HEALTHCARE



CARPET

Adds Comfort to Healthcare



Sky Ridge Medical Center

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JUDY KUCH
Associate, Senior Interior Designer
Gresham, Smith and Partners

At first glance, it's obvious that this isn't your average healthcare center. In addition to receiving the finest facilities and services a hospital can provide, patients at Sky Ridge Medical Center in Lone Tree, CO, enjoy their care in an environment comparable to a first-class winter resort. The result is a masterpiece facility that anchors this growing suburban-Denver community.



CASE STUDY

Sky Ridge Medical Center, Lone Tree, CO

In the foothills of the Rocky Mountains, the Sky Ridge Medical Center is a landmark facility for the growing Lone Tree community — not only for its excellence in healthcare, but also for its exceptional design and amenities. The hospital's aggressive design has helped attract the finest doctors and nurses in the area, as well as an unexpected swell of patients.

The five-star facility was the brainchild of HealthONE, HCA and Nashville-based architectural

firm Gresham, Smith and Partners (GS&P). With another hospital being built only 10 miles away, the fight for healthcare providers and patients began even before construction. The team designed a unique plan that would combine hospital with hospitality to provide the ultimate in care.

Because time was critical, the team began building immediately. The infrastructure was erected before final design documents for the eight-story facility were even completed. The hospital's 362,500 square feet would include emergency, surgery and inpatient care, as well as a women's facility with 11 labor and delivery rooms.

Special care was taken to preserve the majestic mountain views inside the facility. Only quality materials were used, with rich colors taken directly from the natural environment. From the two-story, stacked stone fireplace and grand staircase in the lobby, to the outdoor healing garden and dining patio, to the monogrammed slippers and robes in the amenity suites on the top floor — no detail was overlooked.

Specific focus was given to the carpet throughout the facility. "We chose carpet constructed of Antron® Legacy nylon for our patient rooms, corridors, waiting rooms and nursery because it met the performance, style and maintenance needs of this special facility," said Judy Klich, Associate, Senior Interior Designer for GS&P.

SUSTAINABILITY



In 2002, Antron® fiber was awarded third-party certification by Scientific Certification Systems (SCS) as an Environmentally Preferable Product. Since that time, SCS has repeatedly concluded that Antron® fiber meets its comprehensive EPP requirements in the areas of product manufacturing, alternative energy use, end-of-life responsibility, social responsibility and product performance. Carpets of Antron® fiber look better longer than carpets made from many competing fibers. As a result, carpets made from Antron® fiber can stay on the floor longer.

With comfort and healing at the forefront of design, carpet provides an unparalleled solution at Sky Ridge with soft, enduring performance. The carpet also assists with wayfinding throughout the facility and provides a residential feel, which aids in healing and comforting patients. It's easy to see that the carpet is one of the many details that make the facility so functional to healthcare providers.

"Safety, sound and comfort are among the top priorities when specifying flooring for healthcare facilities," said Alison Hair, Healthcare Market Segmentation Leader, Antron® carpet fiber. "Carpet is becoming the top floor covering choice for creating comfortable environments for patients, visitors and medical professionals alike."

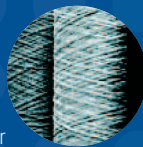
CLEANABILITY

Antron® carpet fiber uses a variety of hollow filament shapes which minimize the soil trapping area of the fiber and enhance soil resistance. The hole(s) refract and diffuse light to hide the effects of soil, while specially designed outer surfaces make it easier for soil to be released during cleaning.



PERFORMANCE

The alignment of the molecular chains in Antron® Type 6,6 nylon creates a tighter molecular structure, making it tougher for stains to penetrate and increasing resistance to crushing and matting.



Type 6,6 nylon
(tighter molecular structure)



Type 6 nylon
(more open molecular structure)

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