

EFA DESIGN SHOWCASE

POST-ACUTE/REHABILITATION

Greenleaf Rehab at Smith Crossing ORLAND PARK, ILL.

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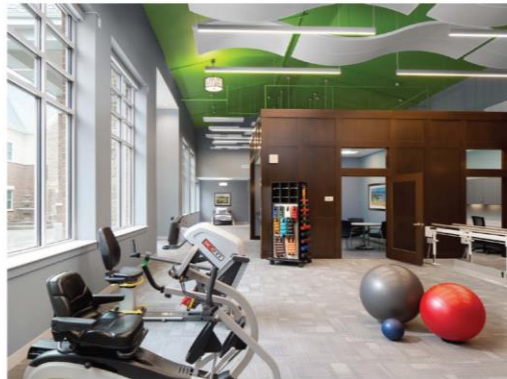


Due to the changing healthcare landscape, Smith Crossing wanted to expand its continuum of care and better serve the senior population in Illinois' Orland Park area with a rehabilitation solution to support short-term care needs. This state-of-the-art project addresses care concerns of the senior living community and local hospitals. The goal was to provide a comforting place for healing—a hospitality-inspired setting for guests to rehab, restore and relax.

The design breaks the mold of more traditional rehabilitation center models that operate as an extension of long-term care with a nursing home atmosphere. Instead, the team took cues from boutique hotel experiences with quality food service playing a key role. The plan was designed with a conscious separation between warm and inviting, private areas and active, public spaces while encouraging participation, socialization and movement. From a welcoming lobby with a vibrant dining venue and state-of-the-art therapy suite to concierge-style nurse stations and luxurious guest suites, it is a holistic, therapeutic approach to rehab.

The exterior of this building addition continues the Craftsmen-style of architecture on campus with a combination of steep roof pitches, brick, shake siding, and gingerbread bracket details. A soothing interiors palette infused with art and well-appointed accessories achieves the desired hospitality-style environment.

This project provides an environment that supports optimal recovery for inpatient and outpatient services—a space that gives guests the personalized services, one-on-one attention and ample time they need to properly recuperate and be better suited to return home to healthy, daily living.



Project category: Addition

Firms: AG Architecture, www.agarch.com; MDP | Merlino Design Partnership, www.mdpdesign.com

Design team: Smith Senior Living (provider); AG Architecture (architect); MDP | Merlino Design Partnership (interior designer); Weis Builders (general contractor)

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Number/type of housing units: 46

Total building area (sq. ft.): 45,222

Construction cost/sq. ft.: \$325

Total construction cost (excluding land): \$14.7 million

Completed: September 2020