



North Penn Hospital,

Located north of Philadelphia, the a 150-bed, not-for-profit, acute care general hospital provides a comprehensive range of inpatient and outpatient health services. The hospital has of staff more than 250 physicians representing 40 areas of medicine and surgery; most of whom are board-certified in their areas of specialization. Penn Hospital provides a full complement of patient care.

The Need

An article in a health magazine attracted a doctor who was soon to move his practice to NPH. He needed space very quickly to avoid a gap in service to his dialysis patients and a new, larger dialysis clinic would catch up to increasing local demand and provide for quick future growth. During budget discussion NPH also learned through less expensive modular construction they could quickly add other facilities. A key condition of the project, however, had to be minimizing disruption to patients and hospital personnel during construction.

Our Solution

NPH turned to Resun Leasing to provide them with the right design. Resun turned to Whitley to build the complex. Because modules were constructed in a factory and trucked to the NPH site those two factors worked to the advantage of the hospital. First, off-site manufacture meant disruption to campus life was greatly diminished. Secondly, foundation work did not have to preface construction of walls. That shortened the schedule by months. The focus at NPH could remain on health care, not avoiding dump trucks. Secondly, modular construction permitted an accelerated schedule that finished the building within 120 days. Less disruption, a faster time line and all under budget. The savings allowed the hospital to build a “seamless link” corridor between the existing building and the new wing.

