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The new exterior design is dramatic and highly visible, attracting attention from passing traffic.



Hamstra Had the Right Prescription for This Medical Clinic Renovation

The Leestma Medical Clinic, an established family osteopathic medical practice located in DeMotte, Indiana, needed more space—and a brand new look. And The Hamstra Group had the right prescription for a renovation that provided more comfort, more color, and more clout when it comes to street level publicity for the clinic.

It took seven months to integrate the existing offices with additional newly purchased space and to refurbish the now 4,410-square-foot facility, which offers adult and pediatric medical

care, wellness exams, chronic disease management, and preventative medicine, as well as other services.

Hamstra completely gutted the new space, and started from scratch with a new layout to improve function and flow. The scope of work included new finishes, floor, and wall tile; painted exposed ceilings; and Alpollic metal

panels on the new exterior tower element. Because the floor heights were different between the existing space and the new, Hamstra built sloped ramps between the buildings.

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Another challenge was presented by the low ceilings. The solution? Removal of the suspended ceilings and painting of the exposed steel structure added visual interest and an open, airy ambience (see photo at right).

The clinic expansion and renovation provided room for not only additional exam spaces, but also a private office for the doctors, a warm and welcoming waiting and reception area, a well-designed procedure room, two additional restrooms, and convenient support spaces.

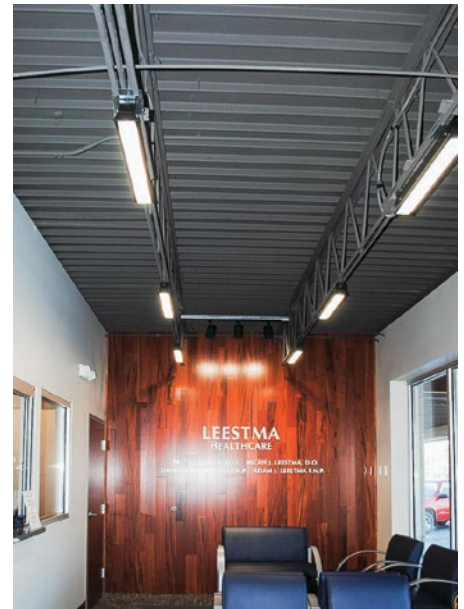
The exterior design and signage was a big part of the project, too.

“Dr. Eric Leestma wanted an exterior that made people stop and look, which drew attention to the facility from the road. Our addition of the tall, silver tower melded with warm wood-look siding does just that,” said Betty Lamp, Hamstra Group’s designer.

Led by Hamstra project manager Curt Albertson, the crew included Lamp (design), John Koster (carpentry), Shane Hartley and crew (electrical), and Derek Bahnerth and crew (plumbing and heating).

Leestma Medical Clinic has served the northwest Indiana region for 35 years. Its expansion is in part due to the addition of Dr. Eric Leestma’s two sons—Adam Leestma, a Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, and Dr. Micah Leestma—to the growing practice. The clinic also offers the services of Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner Sharon Johnson.

“We’re delighted with the great ideas and the design and construction skills The Hamstra Group brought to our project,” noted Dr. Eric Leestma. “Our patients and the public are lauding the renovation. Bottom line, we picked the right project—and the best company to complete it.”



Interior work involved complete redesign and redecorating. The emphasis was on functionality, made attractive and welcoming by warm colors and comfortable spaces.



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