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FRAMINGHAM UNION HOSPITAL
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT RENOVATION

METROWEST MEDICAL CENTER | 2023

LEAD INTERIOR DESIGNER

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DESIGN APPROACH

The emergency department renovation translates the local landscape into a calm, cohesive material language. A botanical wallcovering and coordinated translucent window film extend the same graphic motif across opaque and glazed surfaces, creating a layered silhouette reminiscent of filtered tree shadows.

Both design options share resilient linoleum flooring with a wood grain appearance, neutral solid surface and millwork finishes, and a green and blue color palette. Option 1 relies primarily on painted architectural surfaces for a more economical solution. Option 2 adds selected plastic laminate and a wood slat acoustic ceiling system above the reception desk, creating stronger visual hierarchy, material depth, and acoustic performance.

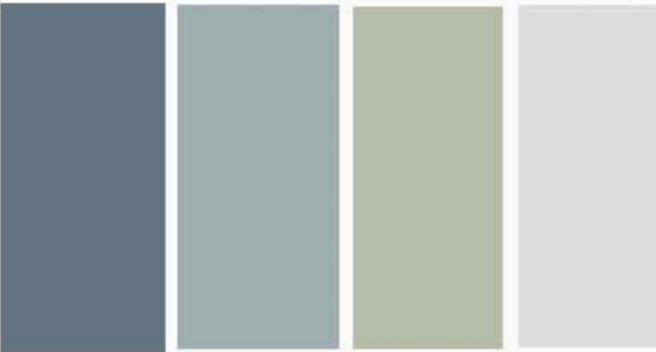
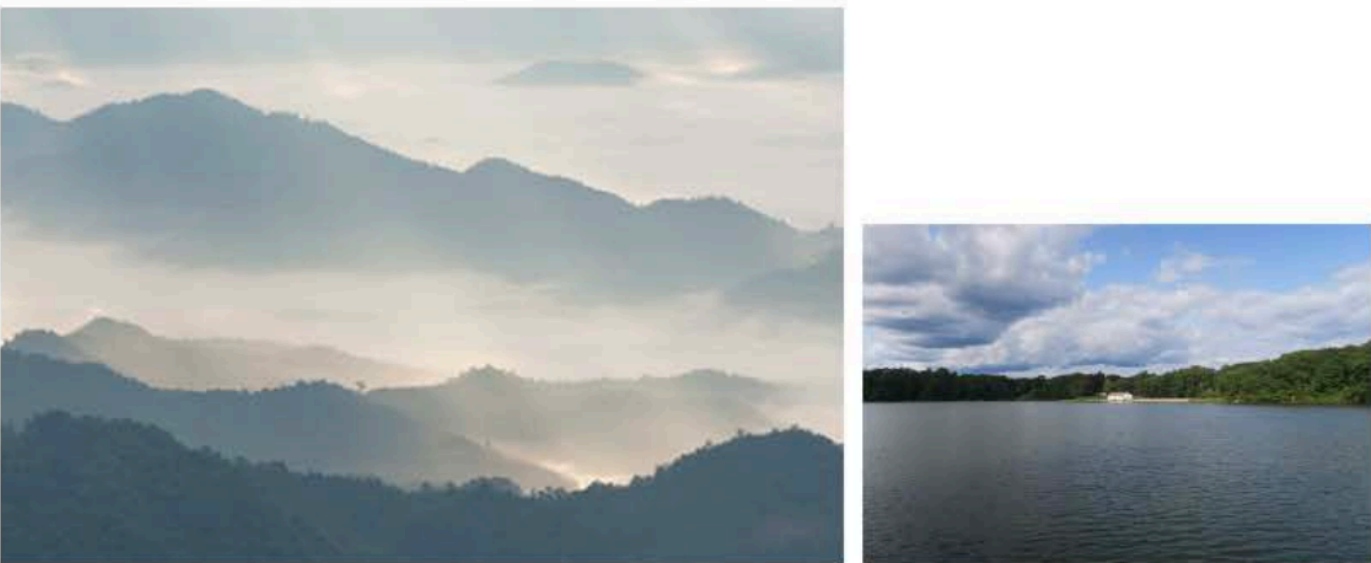


Reception Option 2 | blue feature surface + wood slat acoustic ceiling

Concept development | local landscape, organic pattern, and restorative color

INSPIRATION + CONCEPT

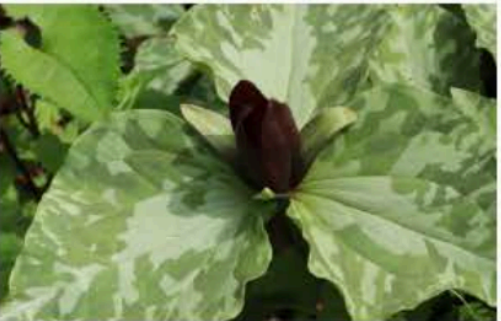
The concept was grounded in the visual character of the surrounding landscape. Layered mountain silhouettes, water, woodland textures, and native plant forms informed both the color palette and the graphic language. The intent was to introduce a sense of calm through organic patterns and materials while giving the interior a stronger connection to place.



SENSE OF CALM THROUGH ORGANIC PATTERNS & MATERIALS



EMBRACE THE LOCAL LANDSCAPE AND NATIVE PLANTS TO CREATE A SENSE OF BELONGING



Concept board | local landscape, native vegetation, and organic material cues

Design development | painted finish option | coordinated wallcovering and window film

WAITING AREA | OPTION 1

Both design options use the same botanical graphic strategy. Wallcovering and coordinated translucent window film carry the motif across solid and glazed surfaces, creating a soft silhouette effect that recalls filtered tree shadows and reinforces the landscape concept.

Option 1 is the more economical scheme. Adjacent wall and ceiling surfaces are primarily painted in soft greens and warm neutrals. Resilient linoleum flooring with a wood grain appearance adds warmth underfoot while meeting the durability and maintenance requirements of an emergency department.



Option 1 | painted architectural surfaces with coordinated botanical wallcovering and window film

Design development | enhanced material option | coordinated wallcovering and window film

WAITING AREA | OPTION 2

Option 2 retains the same botanical wallcovering and coordinated window film while introducing a stronger blue identity and a richer architectural material palette. The graphic continues across wall and glazing, producing a layered silhouette effect while the deeper blue tones strengthen orientation along the waiting area.

Selected wall surfaces are upgraded from paint to plastic laminate, and a wood slat acoustic ceiling system defines the reception zone. These material upgrades increase cost, but they also create stronger visual hierarchy and improve acoustic control. The shared linoleum flooring and neutral supporting finishes maintain continuity between both options.



Option 2 | blue palette with selected plastic laminate and wood slat acoustic ceiling

Design development | reception option 01 | painted architectural finishes

RECEPTION | OPTION 1

At reception, Option 1 continues the restrained material approach used in the waiting area. Soft green and warm neutral paint define the arrival point without additional wall paneling, keeping the desk and adjacent circulation visually open.

Neutral solid surface and millwork finishes coordinate with the linoleum flooring. The botanical wallcovering and matching window film continue the landscape motif beyond the desk, connecting reception to the larger interior concept.



Reception Option 1 | painted architectural surfaces with neutral millwork and linoleum flooring

Design development | reception option 02 | enhanced material expression

RECEPTION | OPTION 2

The enhanced option gives reception a stronger identity through a deeper blue feature surface, selected plastic laminate, and a wood slat acoustic ceiling system above the desk. The slatted ceiling introduces natural materiality, strengthens the visual hierarchy of the arrival point, and contributes to acoustic control in the reception area.

Both options retain the same linoleum flooring, solid surface work surfaces, and neutral supporting finishes. The primary distinction is the treatment of vertical and overhead surfaces: painted finishes in Option 1, and upgraded laminate with the acoustic wood slat ceiling in Option 2.



Reception Option 2 | selected plastic laminate and wood slat acoustic ceiling define the arrival point

Finish development | coordinated material palette | option specific upgrades

FINISH PALETTE

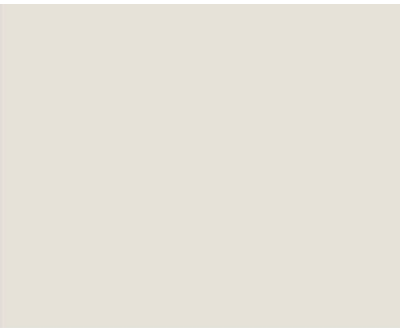
The finish palette carries the landscape concept into a durable healthcare material system. Cool green and blue tones support the botanical wallcovering and coordinated window film, creating a layered silhouette across the waiting and reception areas.

Resilient linoleum flooring with a wood grain appearance adds warmth underfoot. Neutral wall base, plastic laminate, and solid surface finishes maintain continuity across both schemes.

Option 1 relies primarily on painted architectural surfaces. Option 2 introduces selected plastic laminate and a wood slat acoustic ceiling system above the reception desk for a richer material expression and improved acoustic performance.

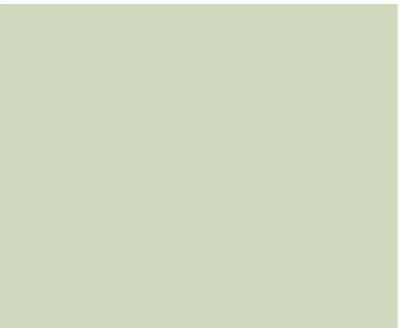
FINISH BOARD

PAINT | FIELD + TRIM



BENJAMIN MOORE OC-23
Classic Grey

ACCENT PAINT



BENJAMIN MOORE 430
Landscape

ACCENT PAINT



BENJAMIN MOORE 1663
New Born's Eyes

ACCENT PAINT



BENJAMIN MOORE 839
Old Blue Jeans

CEILING PAINT



BENJAMIN MOORE HC-28
Shelburne Buff

FLOORING | FIELD



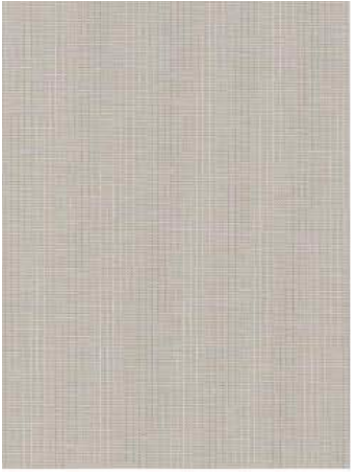
FORBO MARMOLEUM STRIATO
Trace of Nature

WALL BASE



JOHNSONITE RUBBER BASE
32 Pebble

PLASTIC LAMINATE

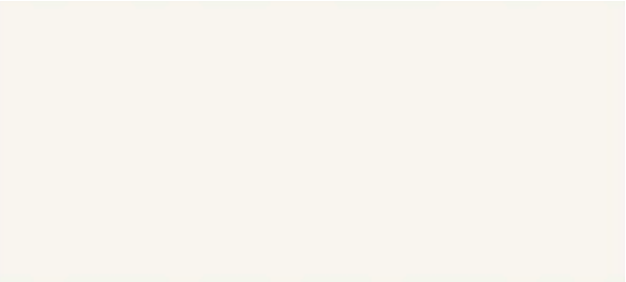


WILSONART CLASSIC LINEN
Fine Velvet Finish

SOLID SURFACE



CORIAN SOLID SURFACE
Linen



CORIAN SOLID SURFACE
Bisque

